

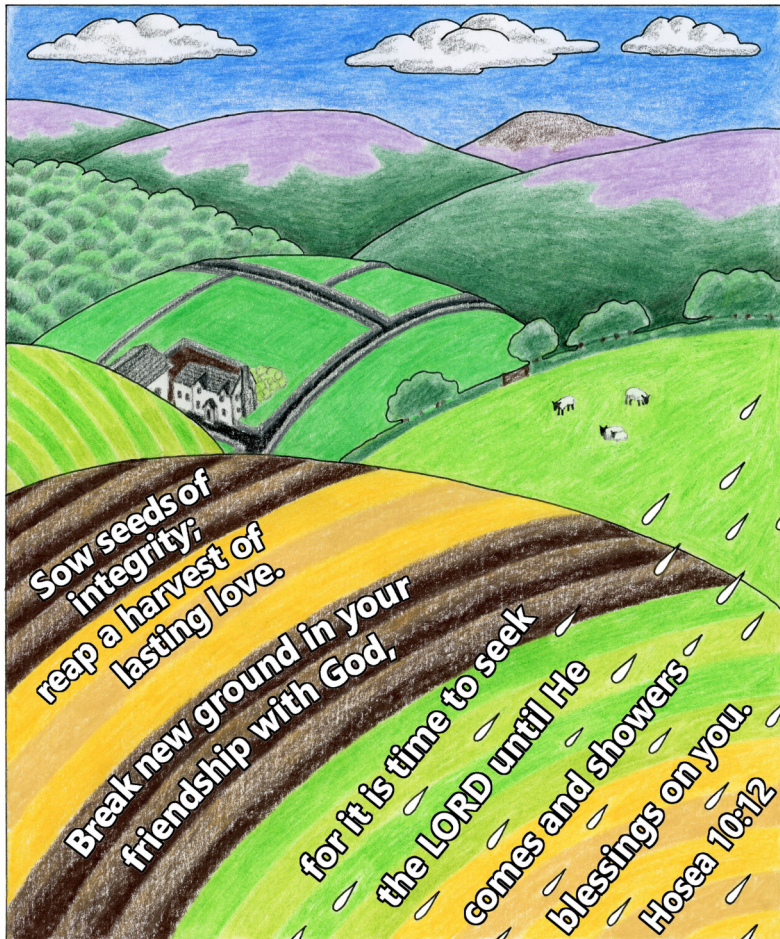
ST ANDREW'S  
KILLANEY



ST IGNATIUS'  
CARRYDUFF



**CROSSWORD**



Sow seeds of  
integrity;  
reap a harvest of  
lasting love.

Break new ground in your  
friendship with God,

for it is time to seek  
the LORD until He

comes and showers  
blessings on you.

Hosea 10:12

## October 2021 Harvest Time

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## Dear Friends



One of the skills the farmer of old had, and the farmer of today must have, is the ability to predict the onset of change in the weather. I do not know how they do it! I am always amused as I listen to gardening programmes where they say of a delicate plant, "be sure to cover this before the first frost." How am I supposed to anticipate that? Foretelling in the spring that we should "plant these out when there is no risk of further frost" seems like a tricky proposition to make. How do we anticipate the winds of change?

For generations church leaders have tried to discern the movement of God's Spirit in their local situation, and to plan accordingly. As we pray and meditate on God's word, as we observe trends inside the church and in society, such discernment can lead us forward.

For example, appointing a youth worker when there are hardly any youth, because they sense a change in society. Or forming a committee to plan a building expansion when the resources are thin on the ground, because God has spoken to several members of this possibility.

One way God seems to work is by placing passions in believers' hearts, which motivate them to push for change, to pray for action, and to pursue opportunities which no-one else can see. You may be alone with your vision at the moment, but God wants you to keep pressing forward until it becomes clear that it is - or possibly isn't - God's plan for the future. The delight of such dreaming is that when we awaken we start again and allow the dream to colour the next step.

As we see a very different short term future for the way we assemble as God's people, the nature of meetings, the form of catering, the time spent close together, the need for ventilation etc. etc. we need to dream a little. To dream of a time when neither the caustic word nor the corrupting virus can extinguish a community. To envision gatherings where our first concern is not covering our faces, but unmasking our hopes and feelings. To plan for long conversations about faith and God's love where the depth of the communication is what matters, not the distance of the two chairs on which we sit.

While we are dreaming, let's allow God's Word to inform our reflections and God's love for us to invade our hearts afresh.

Happy dreaming.

**Stephen**

### **Church notices that didn't quite get it right...!**

- The regular Monday night choir practice of this church will be held on Tuesday night instead of Friday night.
- Children are normally collected during the Offertory Hymn.

## Harvest at Carryduff

We plan to hold this year's Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Sunday 3rd October at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm. Recent plans discussed at vestry, responding to changes in the guidance for use of public buildings and churches during the current stage of the pandemic emergency, allow us to increase the numbers attending St Ignatius' Church. This new number will be introduced on Harvest Sunday. With the availability of the church hall for an overflow, we anticipate safe participation in worship on that day for the higher number attending at Harvest. Because of the need to enable entrances and exits from the church to be safely accessed, decorations of the church will be less than normal. We look forward to a wonderful occasion of thanks to God for the gifts of Harvest.

## Sunday School - Carryduff

Sunday School at Carryduff in September saw a return to the weekly gathering for the children meeting in the Hall. The teacher panel has a different look with some new leaders and a rota in place to enable leaders to participate as fully as possible in weekly worship. We thank all who are bringing their children week by week, and the teachers and leaders for their service to the children for the sake of Christ.

## Humour:

### What the young monk found

A young monk was assigned to help other monks copy out the old canons and laws of the church by hand. On his very first day he noticed that all the monks were copying from copies, not from the original. So, the new monk pointed out that if someone had made even a small error in the first copy, that error would be continued in all the subsequent copies.

The head monk said: "You make a good point, my son." So he went down into the dark caves underneath the monastery where the original manuscripts were held in a locked vault that had not been opened for hundreds of years. Hours went by and nobody saw the old abbot.

Finally, the old monk returned, looking distraught. "We missed the R ! We missed the R ! We missed the R ! The word was... CELEB R ATE!"

### What you need

A Sunday School teacher had just concluded her lesson and wanted to make sure she had made her point. She said, "Can anyone tell me what you must do before you can obtain forgiveness of sin?"

There was a short pause and then, from the back of the room, a small boy spoke up. "Sin?"

*Finally*

Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror and think, "That can't be accurate."

# Killaney News

## Rosters

**Flowers:** Anne Mannis

**Cleaning:** Michelle Turkington, Marie Mack

## Thanks

Johnny and Alison would like to thank everyone for their kindness, cards and prayers of support over the last 10 months. Johnny is now doing well at home thanks to the professionalism of an excellent District Health Team and the love and support of his family, neighbours and friends - not least our friends in Killaney who have been with us every step of the way.

He is looking forward to attending his first appointment in Musgrave at the end of this month. Progress remains very slow but steady, just as doctors predicted. His wounds have now closed and on better days he is able to sit for up to 3 hours at a time in his wheelchair. His sense of humour has not failed him; "Have you heard the one about ...!" (Probably not the most appropriate jokes for church!). We are so grateful to everyone for their help and prayers without which it would have been an extremely difficult journey to this stage.



## Annual Memorial Service

On Sunday 31st October we are holding a Memorial Service at 12:00 midday. This is to give us all an opportunity to remember those who have died in the past year with thanksgiving to God for the lives of people we have valued and loved. It comes at a time when many of us have been unable to meet in large numbers for funerals, throughout the last 18 months. While the Vestry considers that we are not at a stage when a large gathering can take place in St Andrew's, they felt it would be good to begin an annual memorial service near All Saints' Day, 1 November, each year.

Any of you who have lost loved ones in the last eighteen months are particularly encouraged to return to church on this day, and to take an opportunity - away from the first moments of grief - to thank God for your loved one.

In future years we will expand the service to include personal contributions from those grieving, - special hymns, readings or memories - but this year will be a quieter event so as not to create too big a congregation. If you have any thoughts or enquiries, please speak to David or Florence at the doors, or to Stephen, to share your thoughts.

## Sunday School - Killaney

We are pleased to have made progress with provision on children's work for Sundays. As soon as the team is in place we will begin. We need some more people to play their part in this ministry, hopefully with a rota in place.

Please contact Stephen or the wardens with your questions and suggestions.

## Killaney Harvest Service

**Sunday 10 October 3.00 pm** No Morning Service]

We celebrate Harvest this year - within the limitations advised by health and diocesan authorities - by holding an Afternoon Service at 3:00 pm on Sunday 10th October. Rather than our usual lavish tea, we will follow the service with a cuppa served outside the church, weather permitting. Our decorations too will be different.

Please bring your contributions for the Food Larder as usual on Sunday, 3rd October. They will be kept in Church for the Harvest, instead of flowers etc. The windowsills will have boxes of cereals, tins of fruit and vegetables, jars of coffee and packets of tea, (and even some toiletries) arranged on them. If you don't normally give, why not join in as an extra effort this month! It reminds us at Harvest how our thoughts and kindness are essential to help others

who are less fortunate.

The reasons for the limits are connected to the accessibility of the church using two entrances, the need to have free flowing air through the church and also our desire to assist those in receipt of Larder goods in East Belfast to share in God's plenteous gifts. We are indebted to the vestry for their great advice on this matter and look forward to seeing a somewhat fuller, though distanced, congregation on 10th October. Thank you.

Father in heaven, all good gifts come from you. You send the sunshine and the rain and it is through your love

and care that we can enjoy harvest time.

Thank you for providing so richly for our needs, and help us to share the good things we have with those who have little or nothing. **Amen.**

### Road Works at Killaney

We have been notified of a two week interruption on the main road from St Andrew's southwards for two kilometres. We can access the church from the Carryduff direction, and along Church Road and Carricknaveagh Road. However, those approaching from the south will be redirected off the main road.

We suggest giving a little extra time to follow the diversions between 30 September and mid October. So it is not just Carryduff folks who will recently have faced hold ups, fair's fair!!







## Mothers' Union

It was wonderful to meet in St Ignatius' Church in September to enjoy a communion service together, followed by a cuppa - it's been such a long time!

Thank you to Stephen for an inspiring service, to Vera for the intercessions and to Mary for doing the Bible Reading.

We hope to meet again on **Thursday 7th October at 8pm** when Denis Carson has kindly offered to talk to us about his faith journey and poetry.

We look forward to seeing you then.

## Bible Sunday 2021



Our churches have both supported the work of Bible Society NI as it supports the translation, production, and distribution of the scriptures around the world, and as it encourages people in Northern Ireland to engage with Scripture through printed materials and electronic sites.

This year our services on **24 October** will reflect the work of Bible Society.

We hope you enjoy the challenge of the message we present to adults and children on the day.

For thoughts about YOUR bible reading see page 11.

## Sorry, Lord, I just couldn't make it

The bells ring out on Sunday morn,  
O did you hear their call?  
They call the faithful ones to prayer  
To Church they summon all.

But Lord, I cannot come today,  
I live a busy life,  
Still, when there's something special  
on  
I'll try and send the wife.

It poured with rain last Sunday  
An inch or two, I bet.  
You surely can't expect me then –  
I'd get my new suit wet.

Today the sky is blue and clear,  
but the car's as black as ink.  
And if I do not clean it soon,  
What will the neighbours think?

You know I do my bit, dear Lord  
I have a golden rule,  
I sometimes send my kids along  
To be at Sunday school.

But I really couldn't come as well,  
There's grass to mow, and beds to weed  
Shelves to fix, a dog to walk, and  
Sunday newspapers to read.

And now this day has ended, Lord  
How fast the weekends go!  
I ask for faith and strength this week  
For I feel (spiritually) quite low.

Inflame, O Lord, my feeble faith  
My lamp burns rather dim,  
For God depends on me, of course,  
And I depend on Him.

Author unknown

## Harvest? Tanya writes:

No, this is not about crops, combine harvesters and hard work. I think God has put it upon my heart to write about and consider a different harvest, the harvest of people. We read in the bible in Matthew 9:37-38

*Then he said to his disciples: "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into the harvest field".*

When Jesus said this he had been going from town to town with the disciples, healing the sick and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom. The crowds listening to him were following Jesus wherever he went. They were eager to hear what he had to say. In a sense they were hungry for good news. But Jesus told those who had trusted in him

*"Go and make disciples of all nations..... teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." (Matthew 28:19-20).*

While James 2:14-26 talks about faith and deeds, verse 15 reminds us that, at the heart of Christian living, there is a daily challenge :

"Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them "go in peace, keep warm and well fed" but does nothing about their physical needs. What good is it? In the same way faith not accompanied by action is dead."

The harvest of souls concerns bringing people from living under their own control, trying to save themselves, and to put themselves right with God, to the realisation that it is only by leaning on Christ and what He has done that we can know Him and the peace of sins forgiven. If we open our lives and respond to the leading of the Holy Spirit, to serve our Lord and Saviour by meeting the needs of others, both practically and prayerfully, God will use us in His harvest field.

Whether you are running the country or confined to a chair, prayer is essential. Remember the maxim, "much prayer - much blessing, little prayer - little blessing".

God does not ask for our ability, he asks for our availability. God will use whatever we have:- our time, our money, our talent, our friendships and so much more.

A songwriter called Chris Bowater captured the idea of giving all of ourselves to God, our time, our money, our talent, our friendships and so much more. In his song, "Here I am", he writes:

*Here I am, wholly available -as for me, I will serve the Lord.  
The fields are white unto harvest but oh, the labourers are so few;  
so, Lord, I give myself to help the reaping, to gather precious souls unto You.  
As salt are we ready to savour, in darkness are we ready to be light?*

So, if you can, listen to the song and use its words as your prayer to God, so that you can become one of his harvest workers to bring in a harvest of souls.

## Parish Visitors

What a privilege - as all Christian ministry is - to serve your church as a parish visitor! Following some recent addresses in church services, we are going to spend a few Sunday evenings in mid October considering what a parish visitor is and does. This is a type of "training" both for those who are seeking to serve in this way, on their own or in a pair, and also for the rest of us who are supporting them and explaining the role to others. So everyone is welcome. Those seeking to serve in the role, however, must attend in person or remotely.

In Carryduff and Killaney we are going to select a small number of parish visitors whose role, when the current health emergency is passed, is to visit parishioners in need of routine visits on behalf of the parish. It is not just being neighbourly (which we are called to be) but representing the church with scripture and prayer. Nor is it for people we already know, but rather, more likely, to be to people we do not yet know well at all.

Some resources will be provided to help in the selection of readings and prayers, and recording the visits that are made. The protection of both the visitors, and the visited, is paramount, and the visitor can pause their role at any time.

### **10th October 7:00 pm**

Visiting as a ministry (how to offer it, how to receive it)

### **17th October 7:00 pm**

Essentials for a parish visitor (distinct purposes)

### **24th October 7:00 pm**

Listening and Confidentiality (health and safety)

*We hope to have feedback from those attending, and questions may be asked if wished.*

## Road Works to end next month

As this edition is published we anticipate an improved road surface around the church walls at Carryduff, and a change in the pattern of road closures as a result.



Walls, paving surfaces, kerb stones, road-drains and 'services' have all been progressed.

The contractors have informed us that the planned November completion of the work will be achieved. We thank all of you, and them, for the considerate way in which this tricky road widening scheme has had to be managed while keeping the roads open.



## **J Club Kids Club**

The J Club reopened on Friday 10th September with great excitement!

Because of the on-going COVID restrictions we have a maximum number of 40 children each evening. Approx 65 have so far registered this term.

These are the activities we have enjoyed this month :

We learned about

Adam & Eve

Noah and his Ark

The Wise & Foolish builders

.....from the Diocese's Jigsaw Programme

Each evening is packed with art, crafts, games, balloon model making, and baking, all connected to the biblical stories. An assortment of wonderful activities brought the bible stories to life! Of course, we couldn't have J Club without the tuck shop!

A child summed it up by commenting on Friday, "J Club is like a mega big Sunday School, I love it"!!

The fun and excitement shown by both leaders and children so far this term have given me great encouragement for the future. The leaders also have received a new look with the purchase of new t-shirts with our amazing logo on them.

We hope, in the near future, to restart the Sunday Special. We would encourage our church family to remember us regularly in prayer as we minister to the children of both the parish and community. What a blessing that is for both the team and myself!

We need one or two more junior and senior leaders to help us - teenagers to assist as junior leaders or senior leaders. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Keith. Why not step out in faith?

We are excited as we wait to see what God has in store for us in our autumn programme.

October is 'Gift Month'. Because of the pandemic we have not been able to raise any funds to help run our organisation, so we have decided to open the month of October to any family or friend or member of the church family who would like to help us by offering a donation. Every penny is spent wisely and for building God's kingdom in Carryduff Parish. Any donation will be a blessing to us! Thank you

### **Friday Nights @ J Club**

6.45 pm to 8.15 pm ( Doors open at 6.30 pm )

You can find us on FaceBook at 'Carryduff Parish J Club Groups '

Keith Shaw

## Sunday Services October

### 26 September Trinity 17

(Green)

- All: Mark 9:38-41 James 5:13-20
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 All Age Worship in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 12:00 All Age Worship in St. Andrew's, Killaney
- 7:00 SNATCH

### Wednesday 29 September

- Revelation 12:7-12 John 1:47-51
- 10:00 Midweek Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

### 3 October Trinity 18

(Green)

- AM Joel 2:21-27 Matthew 6:25-33
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 Harvest Thanksgiving in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- PM Hebrews 1:1-4 Mark 10:2-16
- 12:00 Parish Communion in St. Andrew's, Killaney (Larder Donations)
- 7:00 Harvest Music and Reflection in Carryduff

### Wednesday 6 October

- Jonah 4:1-11 Luke 11:1-4
- 10:00 Midweek Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

### 10 October Trinity 19

(Green)

- Carryduff Hebrews 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 Parish Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- Killaney: 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Matthew 6:25-33
- 3:00 Harvest Thanksgiving in St. Andrew's, Killaney
- 7:00 Visiting as a ministry (how to offer it, how to receive it)

### Wednesday 13 October

- Romans 2:1-11 Luke 11:42-46
- 10:00 Midweek Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

### 17 October Trinity 20

(Green)

- All: Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 All Age Worship in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 12:00 All Age Worship in St. Andrew's, Killaney
- 7:00 Essentials for a parish visitor (distinct purposes)

### Wednesday 20 October

- Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48
- 10:00 Midweek Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

## 24 October Bible Sunday

(Green)

- All: Isaiah 55:1-11 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 All Age Worship in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 12:00 All Age Worship in St. Andrew's, Killaney
- 7:00 Listening and Confidentiality (health and safety)

## Wednesday 27 October

- Romans 8:26-30 Luke 13:22-30
- 10:00 Midweek Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

## 31 October Eve of All Saints' Day

(White)

- AM Isaiah 25:6-9 John 11:32-44
- 8:30 Early Communion in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- 10:00 Morning Worship in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- PM Isaiah 65:17-25 Luke 9:18-27
- 12:00 Annual Memorial Service in St. Andrew's, Killaney
- 3:00 Annual Memorial Service in St. Ignatius', Carryduff
- No further service this evening*

## How should we read the Bible?

There are three things to bear in mind when you pick up your Bible:

First, *approach it expectantly*. The Bible is not just another book – it is the Word of God, given to us by God to help us and instruct us. The Psalmist declared, 'Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path' (Psalm 119:105). Therefore, as you open your Bible, pray that the Holy Spirit (who inspired the writers of the Bible) will illumine its meaning to you. Read it carefully, not just hurrying through it as you would a novel.

Secondly, *read your Bible systematically*. Aim to read about three chapters a day: begin at Genesis and work through the Old Testament. Begin in Matthew and work through the New Testament; begin in Psalms and work through Psalms and Proverbs. Simply continue these three cycles, and it will ensure that your diet of Bible reading each day will be varied and include a bit of everything!

Finally, *read your Bible obediently*. Be ready to obey the truth that God has for you in its pages. God gave the Bible to us 'for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16), and the Bible can change our lives as we read it and obey its teachings every day.

When did you last read *your* Bible? Is it time you started again?



## Gifts of Joy



As I write this note I am hopeful – even optimistic - that our usual supply of colourful flat pack shoe boxes will arrive before Sunday, 3 October. This is potentially important since that is the day when our two parish congregations will celebrate the blessings of the harvest.

These thanksgiving services are very special. It is our privilege to give thanks for the blessing and the bounty of our harvest. But this is not a privilege that is equally shared across the world population.

We have both a duty and a calling to reach out to others both near and far who are much less fortunate than us. Our annual support for the shoe box project known as Operation Christmas Child provides a great opportunity to offer Christian love to children in many parts of the world who, through circumstances beyond their control, suffer from exploitation, neglect, starvation and – emphatically - a lack of love and care.

Gift-filled shoe boxes provide an element of real tangible joy to so many poor or helpless children, in orphanages and refugee camps, who will almost certainly get nothing else at Christmas. No toys. No chocolate.

We can help. By packing a few shoe boxes with simple gifts, we would be reaching out and, crucially, expressing our commitment to the prompting of the gospel.

In all of this it is worth noting that recent surveys reveal that 60% of the UK population is overweight. Against this, data from the United Nations continues to clarify that high numbers of people world-wide are in danger of loss of life due to neglect, starvation or malnutrition.

A quotation from the first letter of John comes readily to mind. He writes: “If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with action and in truth (1 John 3 v.17,18).”

This is a crucial part of the global harvest.

It is an inescapable part of the Christian mission, and our personal commitment to it, that we should help to meet the needs of the underprivileged of the world. In that spirit I continue to be hopeful that the brightly coloured flat pack shoe boxes will arrive in time. But if not, we can all find a shoe box or two (even three) ourselves and cover them with Christmas wrapping paper.

**Denis Carson**

# God in the Sciences

By Dr Ruth M Bancewicz, Church Engagement Director at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge.

## Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

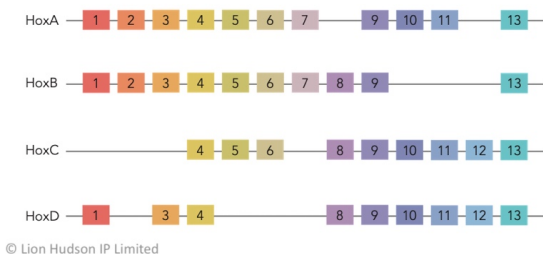
Every person was once a sperm and an egg. Those two unique germ cells fused together, and in nine months they turned into a living, breathing, human being. One of the most important stages of this process is when each section of the body, from head to rump, takes on its identity.



In this context, identity means what shape it takes, and which limbs or internal organs grow there: legs or arms, lungs or pancreas, and so on. The source of that physical identity is DNA: the networks of genes that are switched on or off in each segment of the body, making all the proteins that are needed to grow and develop in the right way. The master-genes that control the whole process are called homeobox, or Hox genes for short.

The most beautiful thing about the process of body patterning is the way it brings the dimensions of time and space together in such a tidy way. The Hox genes are organised into several clusters on the chromosomes, in the order in which they are needed during development and the order in which they appear on the body.

As the embryo develops, the cells near the head end activate the first genes in the Hox clusters. The cells just below the head then switch on the second genes in the cluster, and so on. A wave of gene activation passes down the embryo, specifying each section of the trunk in turn.



Once a Hox gene is switched on it can stay switched on in the next few sections of cells, and it is the overlapping activity of the genes which gives each section of the body its proper identity.

The Wisconsin-based developmental biologist Jeff Hardin often quotes Psalm 139 to express the wonder of embryonic development. *“For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb...your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.”* The story of the tidy Hox genes is very relevant to these verses, bringing out the hidden beauty in the process.

The more biologists get to find out about how we came to be born, the more we can say, “I am fearfully and wonderfully made”!



# The gardener and the Vine

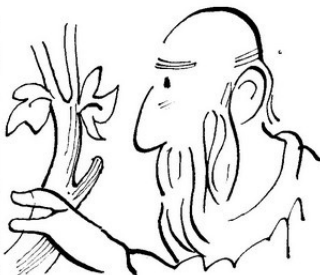


JESUS OFTEN TOLD  
STORIES WITH  
HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONCE HE TOLD HIS FRIENDS ALL  
ABOUT A GARDENER.

THE GARDENER'S JOB WAS  
TO CARE FOR THE VINES



HE WOULD LOOK AT EACH  
BRANCH CAREFULLY..

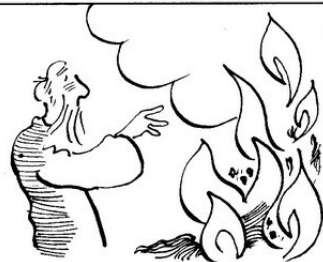
... AND IF IT WAS PRODUCING  
GOOD FRUIT, HE WOULD CARE  
FOR IT AND NOURISH IT.



IF IT WAS PRODUCING BAD  
FRUIT...

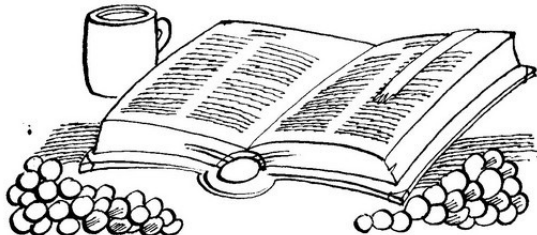


...OR NO FRUIT AT  
ALL...



...THEN THE GARDENER WOULD  
CHOP IT OFF, AND BURN IT IN  
THE FIRE!!

JESUS WANTED HIS FRIENDS TO SHARE  
THE GOOD NEWS - THAT'S LIKE THE  
VINE BEARING GOOD FRUIT.



YOU CAN READ THIS SPECIAL PARABLE IN JOHN'S  
GOSPEL, CHAPTER 15.

# Registers

## Christian Funerals

22 September      Don McConnell, Glenmor Crescent

*Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted*

## Remembering

We sympathise with Heather and the family circle of the late **Don McConnell** who died lately. Don was a former church warden at Carryduff Parish, and was a member of St Ignatius' Golf Society some years ago.

He worked as a member of staff at the Northern Bank in many of its branches in Northern Ireland. While working in Newry branch, he met another bank worker, Heather, from the Trustee Savings Bank in the town. Following their marriage they moved to a new home built for them in Carryduff.

Don was widely respected in his business life, and enjoyed creating and looking after his decorative garden. In recent years he has shown exemplary care for his wife during her illness, and the community at Beechvale will miss his presence and support. Don died on 12th September, after several months of serious illness.

Following the service at Roselawn Crematorium Heather invited mourners to Killinchy for a refreshing tea.

## Food for thought

Though the Lord is out of sight, we are not out of His. – M Henry

We may ignore, but we cannot evade, the presence of God. The world is crowded with Him. – C S Lewis

The gospel makes some people sad, some mad, and some glad. It is better that people should go out of church mad than merely go out, neither sad, mad, nor glad. – V Havner

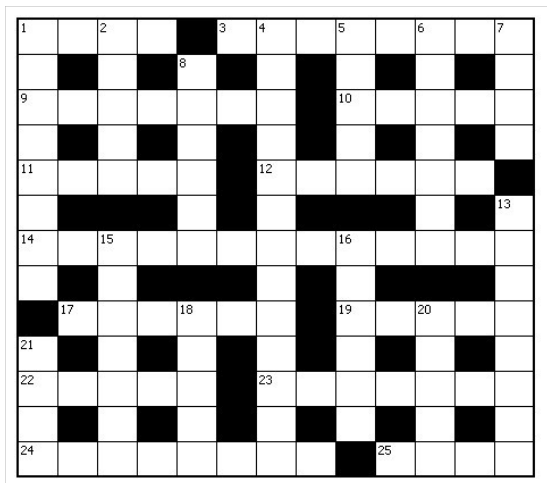
If you would lay up a treasure of glory in heaven, lay up a treasure of grace in your hearts. – John Mason

History is a story written by the finger of God. – C S Lewis

The devil entangles youth with beauty, the miser with gold, the ambitious with power, the learned with false doctrine. – H G Bohn

Whatever we part with for God's sake shall be made up to us in kind or kindness. – Matthew Henry

What we spend in piety and charity is not tribute paid to a tyrant, but the response of gratitude to our Redeemer. – James Denney



## Crossword October

### Across

- 1 'Those who were standing near Paul said, "You — to insult God's high priest?"' (Acts 23:4) (4)
- 3 They were assigned to guard the tree of life (Genesis 3:24) (8)
- 9 'Elkanah son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the — of — , the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite' (1 Samuel 1:1) (3,4)
- 10 Surrender (Joshua 24:23) (5)
- 11 Where American livestock can be reared (5)
- 12 Listen (anag.) (6)
- 14 Alternative name for Kiriath Jearim (2 Samuel 6:2) (6,2,5)
- 17 He founded Westminster Abbey, — the Confessor (6)
- 19 Hebrew word for the place of the dead (5)
- 22 Allies of Persia in the fifth century BC (Esther 1:3) (5)
- 23 Where John Wesley was forced to preach a lot (4,3)
- 24 Rebellion against God; abandonment of religious belief (8)
- 25 Note (anag.) (4)

### Down

- 1 Give an account of (Mark 4:30) (8)
- 2 'I — — the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free' (Psalm 119:32) (3,2)
- 4 'He took the ephod, the other — — and the carved image' (Judges 18:20) (9,4)
- 5 'You are a chosen people, a — priesthood' (1 Peter 2:9) (5)
- 6 The meek, the merciful and the mourners are all this (Matthew 5:4-5, 7) (7)
- 7 Musical Instrument Digital Interface (1,1,1,1)
- 8 He was the son of Nun (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)
- 13 'Let the little — come to me' (Matthew 19:14) (8)
- 15 'About three thousand were — — their number that day' (Acts 2:41) (5,2)
- 16 In John's vision, the wall of the new Jerusalem was made of this (Revelation 21:18) (6)
- 18 'Our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly — a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ' (Philippians 3:20) (5)
- 20 'Glorify the Lord with me: let us — his name together' (Psalm 34:3) (5)
- 21 Young Men's Christian Association (1,1,1,1)

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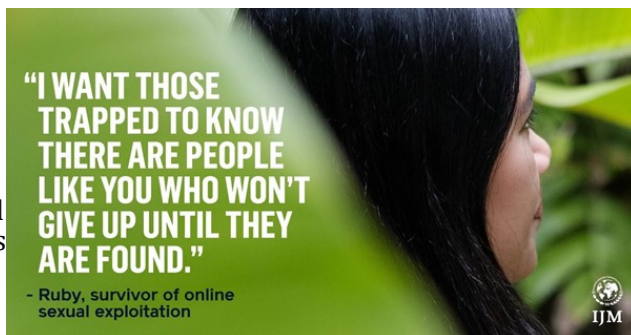


This month, we want to introduce you to Ruby, a brave young woman from the Philippines. Ruby was just 15 years old when she became a victim of online sexual exploitation. Today, she is a courageous advocate for every child to be free from online sexual abuse.

After the death of her parents, Ruby was tricked by traffickers who offered her a job. She was trapped, locked up in a house, and sexually exploited live over the internet for sex offenders to watch online.

Ruby said, "I became so desperate to escape that I would shout whenever I heard a police siren, hoping someone would hear me." One day, she retreated to the bathroom – "It was the only place that I could be by myself, and I screamed with all my remaining strength: 'God, if you are real, take me out of here!'"

The very next day, IJM and partners brought Ruby and five other girls to safety. Ruby bravely chose to testify against her abusers in court, through a trial that lasted four years. Her traffickers were convicted and sentenced to 15 years imprisonment.



Ruby says, "I want those trapped to know there are people like you who won't give up until they are found." Your ongoing support and prayers are helping to bring children like Ruby to safety.

*Thank you for showing interest in those who are fighting for freedom for those enslaved in many parts of the world. International Justice Mission were represented at worship in September. Click on the picture below or visit [ijmuk.org](https://www.ijmuk.org) for more ways to support IJM*

## **Kofi's Story**

Ben McMechan from IJM visited Killaney and Carryduff in September. He presented the story of Kofi as part of his introduction to the work of the International Justice Mission. Kofi's rescue from slavery as a ten year old child working on a boat enabled him to begin education and recover his health and well-being. His rescue came about as a result of the work of IJM in Ghana, as they assisted legal teams and police to identify the crimes involved on these boats. We were encouraged to support IJM by individual prayer and financial support. Leaflets given to worshippers advised how to accomplish these things. If you haven't yet responded, please consider doing so. Visit <https://www.ijmuk.org/pray-for-justice>

# Seven tips for teaching children about money

Knowing how to manage your money is an essential life skill. The staff at Christians Against Poverty (CAP) offer some ways to help your children learn.

## 1. Encourage a healthy attitude towards money

Show them that money is a tool. It's important to be in control of it - rather than be controlled by it.

## 2. Let them see how you plan your own finances

You (probably!) put time and effort into managing your money – let your children know this. Let them see whatever you use - a budgeting spreadsheet or app, that helps you to manage your income and spending.

## 3. Talk to them about budgeting

It's OK not to be able to buy your children everything they want. It can be an important learning opportunity for them. Don't be afraid to talk about budgets, and the fact that money is a finite resource, and is to be used wisely.

## 4. Let them practise handling their own money with an app

If you want your children to practise their money skills, why not try the GoHenry app? <https://www.gohenry.com/uk/> Here's what two CAP parents said about it:

'I use GoHenry with my kids. I have it set up that they get a fixed amount each week. My son is learning to check what money he has on the app before buying. He can also see quickly how much he has saved up. As a parent you can set up spending limits on it and you get a notification every time they spend money, which is really helpful too.'

## 5. Help them learn to save up for the things they really want

As it gets easier to 'buy now, pay later', one really useful skill is to teach our children how and why to save up for things.

"We involved our lad in money conversations from a young age. When he wanted to buy a particular toy, and we thought it 'cheap and tatty' we would discuss whether it was worth it. Then we agreed to wait a couple of weeks, save his pocket money, and buy a better version of it. He got a better toy, and also he learned the value/reward of saving. Now 15 years old, he can assess what he wants, think through how best to buy it, and shop for best deals."

## 6. Pocket money can be a useful tool to practise saving principles

"We have a nine-year-old and when she asks for things, our standard reply is, 'yes, you can save for it with your pocket money'. That has helped her learn that if you are patient, you can save for what you want."

## 7. Give them some responsibility to choose how money gets spent

Finally, don't underestimate the power of giving children a bit of (age-appropriate) responsibility. If they're old enough to understand budgeting, why not put them in charge of deciding what to buy for pudding this weekend, or for a day out with the family?

For more tips on managing money, have a look at the [CAP Money Course](https://capuk.org/i-want-help/courses/cap-money-course/introduction), which includes versions for young people. (<https://capuk.org/i-want-help/courses/cap-money-course/introduction>)



Lesson Readers: October

Day	8:30 am Epistle	10:00 am Lessons	12:00 pm Lessons
3 Oct	Keith Shaw	Joan Clayton	Marie Mack
10 Oct	Ken Fletcher	Denis Carson	3:00 Bill Connor
17 Oct	Patricia Darling	Jenny Montgomery	Gary Crothers
24 Oct	David Patterson	Susan Creber	Viona Crothers
31 Oct	Mary Hewitt	Caroline Taylor	Vera Lowry



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## Next Edition

**Please add content by October 20th for our November Edition**

### ARE YOU LIVING LIFE TO THE FULLEST?

Explore the Christian response to some of life's biggest questions  
by visiting a free drive in event  
at the former Carryduff Shopping Centre

### LAUNCH YOUTH EVENT

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 4:30 pm**

**Also Monday to Friday 11 to 15 October at 7:00 pm and**

**Sunday 17 at 4:30 pm**