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Killaney and Carryduff Parishes' Magazine April 2023

Annual Reports

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The trustees of Carryduff Parish Church and Killaney Parish Church present the annual reports and statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for their respective parishes for the year ended 2022.

2022

The celebration of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee was a highlight of the year, and drew young and old to church and to celebratory meals to mark this unequalled reign. It was with great sadness that just a few months later, in early September, we gathered again to give thanks to almighty God for her life and to pray for her family in their loss. So much of the country wept as this immense era came to an end.

We began to pray for "Charles, our king" in our Anglican rites and, for many of us, the words did not come easy. This year will be long remembered.

A year of steady progress has seen numbers at worship strengthen a little, and participation in the routine catering events return to normal. The spectre of the pandemic has subsided from most people's minds, though the sorrows and losses it brought to many remain painful and sad memories.

A small but significant number of relatively healthy and formerly active parishioners continue to hold back in their participation, and we are looking for ways to help them return to the life of the parishes they love. Worshipping in the company of other believers has always been a key part of our Christian journey and must be paramount in our discipleship.

Carryduff

As we look at the change in membership of our General Vestry we see a significant number of members whose life among us has ended, some through poor health and several through the end of life. We commend all who grieve to the mercy of God and give thanks for those who have gone before us for their years of service to God in the life of Carryduff Parish.

In Carryduff Parish a process of giving outside our own needs is followed, where individuals give money to a Mission Account, which is a restricted fund. This, then, must be spent to extend the mission of the church through charitable giving, extensions of ministry, and responding to needs as they arise.

Killaney

There were no new additional members in our General Vestry, but, sadly, a number of long-term dedicated members have reached the end of their life among us, and we thank God for their memory and their support of the life of St Andrew's.

The initiation of a new Donations Policy in Killaney Parish has seen the vestry undertake to reflect the generosity of parishioners to the parish with proportionate gifts to causes which reflect the values we hold dear. The outcome of this policy may be seen in the financial report.

Ministry

We have been blessed in worship in both our parishes by our supporting organists, especially in 2022, on a more regular basis, by Mr Brian Mulholland. Twice a month or more he has helped us worship God in music and song. The Carol Service at the end of the year was a blessing to us all.

In Killaney a new phenomenon of power cuts affected public worship on a number of occasions. We were unable to identify the new potential cause in the local neighbourhood, but, after many representations to the power supplier, a higher-rated circuit breaker was

placed in the local transformer from which our church and neighbouring properties draw power. We await the success of the remedy to be evident by having no more interruptions to worship. The electrical failure at our Service of Lessons and Carols brought a reaction of quiet determination, typical of the people from both parishes who were present for our first Joint Carol Service.

Our experience of Holy Communion remains much as it has done since the pandemic arrived but, with people more relaxed about participation, the changes have become widely accepted as the new normal. We are indebted to those who have assisted us, particularly the churchwardens, in making the receipt of bread and wine at the Communion Table a safe possibility again.

Throughout the year, the parish seeks to provide a pastoral presence through the ministry of the rector, readers and volunteers. We pay tribute to Mrs Marlene Moore and Mr Keith Shaw, our diocesan readers and Mrs Jenny Montgomery, our parish reader. The Lesson readers in Carryduff, ably managed by Mrs Joan Nevin, and in Killaney by Mrs Marie Mack, play a vital role in helping people feel that God's Word is a word for all. We thank all who read lessons, manage screens, welcome worshippers and tidy the buildings afterwards.

Members of the community admitted to hospital or suffering bereavements have been encouraged to make contact with the church so that their spiritual needs are addressed. Whether or not they are active members of the parish, we have sought to help people in their difficulties.

At sad times in people's lives, the parishioners continue to support families in their times of loss, often providing refreshments and a sensitive welcome to those attending funeral services.

Carryduff

A carefully managed database contains contact records of people on our church records. This is used for the purpose of issuing monthly magazines and maintaining records of contributors' addresses. A decision by the select vestry to centralise all the relevant contact and finance details was made, to be put into effect in 2022. This process has been slower than anticipated and we are still not in a position to gather all the information in one place. We hope that members within and outside the vestry could assist in making this a reality.

Welcome Leaflet

A highly coloured and well produced four page leaflet was produced to promote the awareness of our church building as a place of worship and friendship in the Carryduff community. Several thousand were delivered by hand by parishioners to homes in the area, including newly built developments.

Refugee support

The war in Ukraine, caused by the desire of members of the Russian government to re build the soviet bloc and increase their power, has left many people dead, injured and homeless. The refugees number many millions. As soon as the huge needs became public, people began to find ways to support both residents and refugees from Ukraine. The church at

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We filled a number of shoe boxes with Christmas gifts for children overseas organised by Samaritan's Purse. Carryduff became a rallying point for such donations and we were privileged to make Carryduff church available on several occasions to gather items. It was wonderful to see the support from both Killaney and Carryduff, and the good people of the local areas, as they played their part in reducing the suffering of some.

We have continued to donate food and essentials to The Larder in Mersey Street on a monthly basis. We also filled a large number of shoe boxes with Christmas gifts for children overseas, as organised by Samaritan's Purse.

Communication

Good communication is vital to help any organisation or family thrive. As a church family, we need to give communication a high priority. Of course, producing useful materials is only worthwhile when members make use of it.

The trustees (vestry) will be reflecting on the use and format of the magazine, website, notice boards and social media in the months ahead of us and we will value your input.

The Parish Magazine - CROSSROADS - is made available on the church website in easily readable PDF format before it appears in print or via email. We are indebted to our contributors and encourage them in their role of sharing their news with the congregations.

Carryduff

Objectives and Activities

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The principal function of Carryduff Parish is to support the advancement of the Christian religion by promoting, through the work of Carryduff Parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Being open to and engaging with society as a whole and offering support for those needing help are fundamental to the practical delivery of the benefits of Christianity.

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Carryduff Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

St Ignatius' Church was built in 1965 as a worship centre with brilliant stained glass windows surrounding a bright, open and airy arena. With seating for 250 people and room to extend seating for bigger services, it provides the location for weekly and occasional services for the community.

Services took place twice every Sunday and once every Wednesday, with additional midweek services during Lent.

We are partners in mission with other parts of the worldwide church and so donate monies to mission programmes as listed in this report. South Sudan includes our diocesan link diocese, (Maridi) and our parish's partner diocese, (Olo).

Carryduff Church Hall

Groups and organisations - using the Church Hall -between them encourage physical activity, community building, education and spiritual growth. To defray running costs, such as heating, lighting, cleaning and maintenance, fees were charged for the use of halls by external groups. Other hall users contributed to the expenses, as noted. One group stopped meeting in the hall, while other groups began short term uses and more regular uses. This helps to keep the building available for the community.

The halls were maintained to a high standard with the award of an Entertainment Licence. For the protection of children, the Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust regulations are applied for every instance where children or vulnerable adults are part of the church's life. Scouts and Guides follow their own policy in this matter.

At the start of the year a new cleaning contract was awarded on a pro-temp basis, and we have seen continued care and attention to detail as the contractor has been made aware of the very specific needs of church properties, which sometimes need to be used outside predictable routines.

The church was used by a choir, and they have contributed to the funds of the church in response.

Killaney Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

St Andrew's Church is a nineteenth century listed (B2) building with simple plain and coloured glass windows surrounding a traditional worship place. With seating for up to 120 people it provides the location for a weekly service for the community, as well as the location of weddings and funerals for people with and without pre-existing connections to the parish.

One main service each week reflects a monthly cycle, including a Parish Communion service, services of Sunday Morning Prayer and all age worship.

It has been our intention to awaken in one another our sense of the importance of spiritual life for people, providing teaching, preaching, encouragements to study the bible, and enabling fresh experiences of worship to enliven the heart.

Killaney Hall Use

Our church hall was virtually unused in 2021 because of Covid. This gave the parish an opportunity and stimulus to reflect on the viability and usefulness of the hall, and a project was undertaken, successfully, to obtain a grant from DAERA to help refurbish the property. This work was completed during 2022.

Our hall programme is designed to encourage physical activity, community building and spiritual growth. The car park is also used by local families while a school bus collects and delivers children there safely each day.

To defray running costs such as heating, lighting, cleaning and maintenance, donations for heating and lighting are requested of hall users.

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Carryduff Property

Painting contractors renewed and repaired some of the exterior painting of the church and hall, with a view to reducing the need for major work in the future. The removal of a large tree from the edge of the road allowed better views of the church and its illuminated cross, and was the cause of much positive comment. With the completion of the church and rectory gates and railings, the renewal of the road surface in the rectory grounds, the addition of new steps and drains and fencing around the rectory, our property looks well set for many years to come.

During the year a Fabric Fund was introduced by the select vestry to prepare for extensive anticipated expenditure due to take place on the roofs of both the church and the hall, and for survey work to be undertaken to prepare for this. This is part of the ongoing response to a Quinquennial Inspection some years ago.

Public Benefit

The Parish has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the Parish's objectives and activities, as well as providing public benefit.

Funds

A fund-raising committee has been formed to facilitate new revenue sources, while providing entertaining and rewarding social events. The first such events are due in the spring of 2023.

Trustee Matters

Apart from the rector, who is a trustee, no trustees benefited financially from the work of the parish. A family member of a trustee was paid for some boiler servicing.

General reserves

While the parish has no specified account to hold reserves, it has been our intention to keep a sum of approximately £20,000 of unspecified funds in reserve.

This is to guard against dips in income and to provide a decent amount of money should emergency repairs need to take place.

Going Concern

The trustees have reviewed the budgets for the year ahead and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the Parish can continue its activities, and the financial statements for the year ended 2022 can be signed off as a going concern.

Killaney Property

The graveyard continues to provide a significant source of income beyond gifts by regular subscribers.

As part of a cycle of work, further cast iron windows were removed for repair and to be replaced on completion. Specifications for the planned placement of new paths in the graveyard continue to be costed.

While parking for disabled spaces is not commensurate with the visual appearance of the church and car park, areas adjacent to both the church doors and hall doors are left vacant for such usage where needed. A portable ramp is provided for the use of wheelchair users to come into the church building and is regularly put in place for them.

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The Killaney Team

Rector's Warden: Marie Mack

People's Warden: Adrian Cousins

Rector's Glebe Warden: Gary Crothers

People's Glebe Warden: Norman May

Select Vestry

Regis Calard

Fiona Chew

James Chew

Bill Connor

Florence Coulter

Pamela Foreman

David Gill

Johnny Gray

Betty Green

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Margaret Harrison

Colin McClintock (Honorary Secretary

Ruth Watson is our Honorary Treasurer though not a trustee

Diocesan Synodsperson

Bill Connor

Supplemental

David Gill

Diocesan Nominator

Norman May

Supplemental Nominator

Bill Connor

The Carryduff Team

Rector's Warden: Cedric Adams

People's Warden: Raymond Scott

Rector's Glebe Warden: Mark Rourke People's Glebe Warden: David Nevin

Select Vestry

George Buchanan

Joan Clayton Susan Creber Fiona Ellis

Victoria Frazer Karen McConnell Jenny Montgomery

Keith Shaw

Sandra Thomas (Honorary Secretary)

Stephen Thompson (Honorary

Treasurer)

Diocesan Synodspersons

Marlene Moore

Jennifer Montgomery

Keith Shaw

Supplemental

1 Denis Carson

2 Victoria Frazer

Diocesan Nominators

Keith Shaw

Jennifer Montgomery

Victoria Frazer

Supplemental Nominators

1 Sandra Thomas

2 Fiona Ellis

3 Cedric Adams.

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Killaney Parish
Summary of Accounts
Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2022

N	ote	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Receipts			
Donations and plate collection		20,786.05	18,560.05
Proceeds of Fund Raising Events	s 3	25.00	245.00
Bank and Deposit interest		163.44	146.55
Rental of premises		0.00	0.00
Allocation of Graves		11,860.00	15,925.00
Other Receipts		21,563.82	1,149.79
Gift Aid Receipt		0.00	0.00
Total Receipts		54,398.31	36,026.39
<u>Payments</u>			
Salaries		14,413.20	12,273.00
Diocesan Costs/Assessment		2,918.02	2,162.02
Church Running Costs		33,283.35	7,147.81
Administration Costs	4	0.00	0.00
Charitable Donations	3	1,000.00	350.00
Payments by Parish Organisatio	ns	0.00	0.00
Grass Cutting		1,820.00	2,600.00
Bank Fees		146.99	76.94
Total Payments		53,581.56	24,609.77
Excess of Receipts over Payments	5	816.75	11,416.62
for the year			

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2022

		Tatal	Tatal
		Total	Total
		2022	2021
		£	£
Cash Funds			
Current Accounts		63,549.18	65,520.48
Deposit Accounts		2,084.62	6.17
Total Cash Funds	2	65,633.80	65,526.65

Investment Assets		
Investments in	* 12,859.78	12,859.78
RCB/CIT Unit Trusts		
Total Investment	*12,859.78	12,859.78
Assets		

^{*} We await confirmation of current investment values prior to audit

Assets retained for		
the Parish's own use		
Fixtures and Fittings	1	
Total Assets retained		
for the Parish's own		
use		

These are extracts from the unaudited accounts.
As readers will appreciate, the completion by our
Honorary Treasurer of work possible has been long
done, but certain small matters need confirmation
from out side the parish before the audit can properly
be conducted.

Extract from Carryduff Parish Church Receipts and Payments Accounts					
Ca	UNRESTRICTED		ENDOWMENT	CCounts	
	FUNDS	FUNDS	FUNDS	TOTAL	TOTAL
	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
FWO/Plate	£59,495.39	£0.00	£0.00	£59,495.39	£60,036.26
Mission	£0.00	£8,552.73	£0.00	£8,552.73	£8,537.26
Gift Aid	£11,933.68	£0.00	90.03	£11,933.68	£9,360.57
Fund Raising	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Use of Hall	£5,700.00	20.00	20.00	£5,700.00	£1,088.00
Special Collections	£0.00	£12,104.31	90.03	£12,104.31	£1,845.80
B'tism/Wed/Funera	£550.00	£0.00	90.03	£550.00	£155.00
Gifts & Subs	£10,872.39	£0.00	£0.00	£10,872.39	£3,820.00
Killaney contribution	£9,589.16	£0.00	£0.00	£9,589.16	£7,593.68
P News/BRN/Gazet	£367.10	£0.00	£0.00	£367.10	£454.45
Bank Interest	£144.54	£0.00	£0.00	£144.54	£84.36
Sundries	£341.65	£0.00	£0.00	£341.65	£1,056.83
Fabric Fund	£0.00	£957.00	£0.00	£957.00	
Parish Organisations Receipts				£12,315.09	£10,182.54
Total Receipts	£98993.91	£21614.04	90.03	£132923.04	£104214.75

	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	ENDOWMENT		
	FUNDS	FUNDS	FUNDS	TOTAL	TOTAL
	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
PAYMENTS	£	£	£	£	£
Salaries	£44,904.96	£0.00	£0.00	£44,904.96	£42,990.48
Diocesan Exps	£11,722.06	20.00	£0.00	£11,722.06	£12,309.34
Church Running Costs	£19,923.96	£0.00	£0.00	£19,923.96	£6,989.98
Church Maintenance & Repairs	£5,914.73	£0.00	£0.00	£5,914.73	£5,179.56
Rectory Costs	£1,426.48	£0.00	20.00	£1,426.48	£2,515.72
Charitable Donations	£0.00	£12,529.78	£0.00	£12,529.78	£12,302.32
ADMIN COSTS	£4,292.55	20.03	20.00	£4,292.55	£3,393.32
Sundries	£963.29	20.03	20.03	£963.29	£42.73
Parish Organisations Payments				£11,865.36	£9,620.62
Total Payments	£89,148.03	£12,529.78	£0.00	£113,543.17	£95,344.07

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment		
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds					
Current Accounts	£38,643.05	£17,768.17	£0.00	£56,411.22	£37,481.08
Deposit Accounts	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Cash Funds	£38,643.05	£17,768.17	£0.00	£56,411.22	£37,481.08
Assets retained for the Parish' own use					
Parish Centre	£0.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	£0.00
Glebe House	£0.00	£404,908.59	£0.00	£404,908.59	£385,627.23
Fixtures & Fittings	£0.00	£0.00	20.03	£0.00	£0.00
Total Assets retained for the Parish's own use	£0.00	£404,908.59	£0.00	£404,908.59	£385,627.23

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Honorary Treasurer of work possible has been long
done, but the availability of our auditors to formally
complete the accounts takes time beyond our control

April Calendar

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25 March	Saturday	
	Repair Café	in Carryduff Hall
2:00	Zumbathon in aid of Ukraine	in Carryduff Hall
26 March	The Fifth Sunday in Lent	(Purple)
8:30	Early Communion	in Carryduff
	Romans 8:6-11 John 11:17-45	
10:00	Celebrate at Ten	in Carryduff
	John 11:17-31 and John 11:32-45	
12:00	Sunday Worship and Easter Vestry John 11:17-27	in Killaney
29 March	Wednesday	
10:00	Midweek Communion	in Carryduff
10:00	Daniel 3:14-20,24-25,28 John 8:31-42	in Carryduff
7:30	Midweek Lenten Service	in Carryduff
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2 April	Palm Sunday	(Red)
8:30	Early Communion	in Commidents
10.00	Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 Matthew 21:1-11	in Carryduff
10:00	Morning Worship and Easter Vestry Matthew 21:1-11	in Carryduff
12:00		in Carryduff
12.00	Sunday Morning Worship Matthew 21:1-11 (Psalm 118:1-2,19-29)	in Killaney
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3 April	Monday Cathadra Chair Canacat	in Danier Carlo adual
7:45	Cathedra Choir Concert	in Down Cathedral
	Featuring John Rutter's Requiem - £15 at door	
4 April	Tuesday	
7:30	Holy Week Service	in Carryduff
	Waiting for a Messiah Luke 24:13-27	
5 April	Wednesday	
10:00	Holy Week Communion	in Killaney
	Hebrews 12:1-3 John 13:21-32	
7:30	Holy Week Service	in Carryduff
	Wondering where God is Matthew 27:32-56	
6 April	Thursday	
6:30	Maundy Thursday Meal	in Carryduff Hall
	Washing Feet at the Supper John 13:1-17	
7 April	Good Friday	(No colours)
10:00	Good Friday Morning Worship (all ages)	in Carryduff
- 00	Men and women are witnesses to Jesus' death Mark	
7:30	Holy Week Service	in Carryduff
	Wishing for hope at the foot of the cross Isaiah 53:1	1-12

9 April	Easter Day	(White)
8:30	Early Communion ONE	in Carryduff
	Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18	
10:00	Easter Parish Communion	in Carryduff
	Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18 (Both churches)	
12:00	Easter Parish Communion	in Killaney
16 April	The Second Sunday of Easter	(White)
8:30	Early Communion	in Carryduff
	1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31	
10:00	Morning Worship	in Carryduff
	Acts 2:14a,22-32 John 20:19-31 (Both churches)	
	The Church enlarged through Christ-focussed preaching	
12:00	Sunday Morning Worship	in Killaney
19 April	Wednesday	
10:00	Midweek Communion	in Carryduff
	Psalm 34:1-8 John 3:16-21	
23 April	The Third Sunday of Easter	(White)
8:30	Early Communion	
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St Joseph's Parochial Hall Carryduff FRIDAY 7 APRIL:

10am - 3pm

To book an appointment Call 08085 534 653

Holy Week 2023

A concert in a Cathedral and services in both our churches are planned for the first week of April. J Club meet on Good Friday at 6:30 in the halls.

On Monday. "Cathedra" - a combined choir comprising several groups under the direction of Michael McCracken - hope to perform John Rutter's Requiem in Down Cathedral at 7:45 pm. The cost is £15 payable at the door.

On subsequent days we focus on the meaning of Holy Week as follows:

Tuesday Evening : Waiting for a Messiah: Redeemer **"We had hoped** that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel" Luke 24

Wednesday Morning: Communion in Killaney **"Fixing our eyes** on Jesus who endured the cross" Hebrews 12.1-3

Wednesday Evening: Wondering where God is: Abandoned. **"My God, My God** why have you forsaken me?" Matthew 27:32-56

Thursday Meal at 6:30: Washing Feet at the Supper: Modelled **"I have set** you an example" John 13:1-17

Friday Morning: Men and women are witnesses to the Saviour's death **"Surely this man** was the Son of God!" Mark 15:21-41

Friday Evening: Wishing for hope at the foot of the cross: Numbered with us **"he poured out** his life & was numbered with transgressors" Isaiah 53:1-12

Details of times and locations of these events are on the calendar.

Midweek Services

Please note the following changes to our regular Wednesday service pattern:

On Wednesday 5th April we meet in St. Andrew's, Killaney at 10:00 am

On Wednesday 12th April we are not meeting

From Wednesday 19th we return to the normal pattern

J Club

During March the members of I Club enjoyed a variety of activities and St Patrick's night was great fun; we are grateful to Tanya who helped with balloon modelling and some other craft work. I Club Sunday included a trip to Funtastic Softplay. We continue to use Jigsaw which is an excellent resource for teaching the Christian faith and the Bible. In June we plan to hold a Children's Day which will comprise appropriate activities and a biblical message.

J Club Plus

Approximately 18-20 young people meet each week for a night of fun and fellowship. The beginning of March kicked off with a challenge night when toilet rolls, spaghetti hoops, balloons and flour were used in a series of challenges, with the girls competing against the boys. The girls came out on top!! On other nights, games, including rounders, were enjoyed by everyone, and we finished with pizzas and ice cream. A weekend in May has been booked at the Ganaway Centre, near Millisle. It will be well organised with activities supervised by qualified instructors. Along with the fun there will be some Bible study and worship. Those who wish to go should contact Liz on 07745581602.

April Programme

- Good Friday Special Children's Event 6.30 to 8.00pm.
- 14 Closed
- 23 | Club Sunday
- 28 In Hall

Coronation of King Charles III.

The Fundraising Committee has been busy working on events for 2023, as we need to boost the balance in the Fabric Fund for very necessary work, which will be required on our church and hall over the next 3 to 4 years. The first of these has been planned for King Charles III's Coronation weekend.

A special service in church on Sunday 7th May will be followed by our own, suitably regal 'Coronation Tea Party' in the hall, to which all parishioners and friends are invited. We don't need to know in advance if you plan to come, but it would be lovely if you could join with us on that day.

If you are able to help out beforehand or on the day, that would be very much appreciated as well. When the Blue Boards go up in the Jeremy Taylor chapel, please sign-up for any areas where you can assist. If you have any questions in the meantime, please speak to Victoria Frazer or Keith Shaw. On the day itself, there will be a donations box at the door for contributions, and we hope that this event will get us off to a good start for our 2023 fundraising.

If you are unable to join with us on the day, but would still like to contribute, please speak to one of the churchwardens who will have envelopes available for use. We look forward to marking this momentous occasion for the nation with a celebration of food and fellowship.

St. Andrew's

Rosters

Flowers: Florence Coulter **Cleaning**: Michelle Turkington

Marie Mack

The parishioners at St Andrew's warmly welcomed the Bishop and Mrs McClay to our Communion Service last month. It was a challenging service and, before his

sermon, the bishop said how pleased he was to meet us and admired how lovely the church and grounds are.

In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no north or south, But one great fellowship of love, Throughout the whole wide earth.

Wonderful words that can be read in a moment and last a lifetime!



A smile is an investment,
An inner happy glow.
A mood-lifter,
A cheer-giver,
And what do you know?
A smile given can mean
A mirrored smile right back,
A dividend, a brand-new friend,
And a chance for joy to grow.

HE IS RISEN
MAY YOU FEEL
CHRIST'S LOVE IN YOUR HEART
AND BE FILLED WITH
HIS PEACE AND JOY
THIS EASTER DAY
AND ALWAYS





First Aid Training

Following a successful first aid training session held at the Hempton Hall recently, we received word of a diocesan event which includes certification. It would be great to have a few people invest their time in becoming qualified to help in an emergency at work (or wherever). Please see below a link to a couple of choices

First Aid Training (including an Emergency First Aid Certificate at Work (1 day) HSE

NI that is valid for 3 years. One event takes place in Ballybeen (Saturday 22nd April) and the other in Rathriland (Saturday 20th May).

Cost is £65pp and this includes lunch.

Sign up is via this link: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/diocese-of-down-amp-dromore-29095342637

Bible Societies

Turkey and Syria

The devastating earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria on 6th February has had a tremendous impact on the people living in the region. Bible Societies of Turkey and Syria have asked us to uphold them in our prayers as they seek to meet the physical and spiritual needs of their people.

The earthquake has caused immense destruction, leaving thousands of people homeless and without basic necessities. As we have all seen in the media, relief efforts are underway to provide essential supplies such as food, water and shelter to those affected by the disaster.

Following the natural disaster, the Bible Society in Turkey initiated its first holistic ministry in collaboration with local churches - together they are seeking to coordinate relief efforts, aid and assistance on the ground.

Tamar, General Secretary of the Bible Society in Turkey, told us that roads have been damaged which makes it hard for any rescue teams to reach the affected areas. The winter, which has recently arrived, also makes any rescue mission challenging. People who lost their homes are affected by the cold weather and the snow. Tamar shared with us: 'We did not feel the earthquake in Istanbul, but we keep receiving updates from colleagues in the affected region and we feel their pain closely. There are church buildings which collapsed, and we started hearing about many close friends, church members, and community members who will not be with us anymore."

The major need right now in the current critical situation is to meet the basic needs of people: providing them with drinking water, non-perishable food, baby food, medical supplies, personal hygiene products, blankets, winter clothes, shoes, masks and the Word of God.

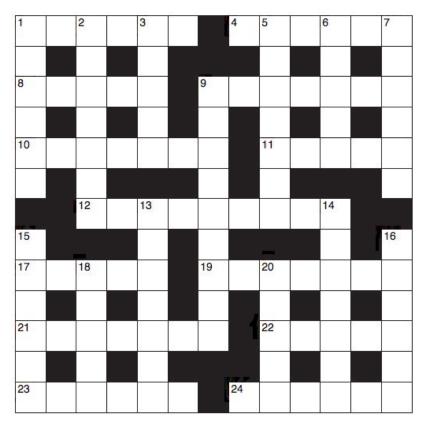
Please pray for:

- Those who have lost friends & family in the earthquakes. Ask God to comfort them and that he would use their experience to speak into their lives.
- Pray especially for children who have lost parents.
- Those who have lost their homes and are now homeless. Pray for them as they face the freezing temperatures; ask God to provide shelter, warmth and supplies.
- Those who are providing aid, rescuers and governments as they help those who have been affected. Ask God to give them wisdom & compassion for their people.

Earthquake appeals

Following the tragic events in Syria and Turkey recently, parishioners from Carryduff and Killaney gave money to Bishops Appeal to help channel resources to people in need.

We thank all who have generously responded to the crisis.



Across

- 1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
- 4 The disciple who made the remark in 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
- 8 'Unless I see the nail marks — hands, I will not believe it' (John 20:25) (2,3)
- 9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn the scroll containing Jeremiah's message (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
- 10 Baptist minister and controversial founder of America's Moral Majority, Jerry (7)
- 11 'Look, here is . Why shouldn't I be baptized?' (Acts 8:36) (5)
- 12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
- 17 Port from which Paul sailed on his last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3–4) (5)
- 19 'Moses was not aware that his face was because he had spoken with the Lord' (Exodus 34:29) (7)
- 21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis's half-man, half-horse (7)
- 22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)
- 23 'The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the apostles' (Acts 1:26) (6)
- 24 'I was sick and you looked after me, I was in and you came to visit me' (Matthew 25:36) (6)

Down

- 1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)
- 2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
- 3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
- 5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
- 6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
- 7 He reps (anag.) (6)
- 9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
- 13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury (Acts 8:27) (7)
- 14 They must be 'worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine' (1 Timothy 3:8) (7)
- much wine' (1 Timothy 3:8) (7) 15 The human mind or soul (6) 16 'O Lord, while precious children
- starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is — ' (Graham Kendrick) (6)
- 18 'We played the flute for you, and you did not ' (Matthew 11:17) (5)
- 20 Bared (anag.) (5)

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Mothers' Union

On Thursday 30th March the Diocesan Festival Service takes place at St Mark's Newtownards at 8.00 pm. Please let Vera or Jenny know if you would like a lift.

Members of MU enjoyed a very productive evening at their March meeting. Jill McPeake came along to show us how to make some spring flowers. Each person received a pack containing all the materials needed,



including one flower already made and a second one started. Jill then guided us through making the rest. Everyone went home with a lovely arrangement having thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Jill also brought along some other hand made items she had made for us to see.

Our next meeting is on April 6th when we will gather for the Maundy Thursday service in church.

Mission Report

On Sunday 5th March we had the pleasure of Miss Judith Carson leading us in discovering more about the Leprosy Mission, its work, its focus and its aspirations.



Leprosy has long been a part of life in areas of the world where there is overcrowding, poor sanitation and impoverished diets. Such is life in the Tea Gardens of Bangladesh which was the focus of our speaker's talk. Here she told of Aloka who has been diagnosed early enough to prevent her whole life falling apart, but not soon enough to stop damage to her left hand. As a result she was unable to continue her work as a tea picker.

A local community worker, supported by TLM, helped her find resources to change her employment and she now works as a volunteer helping people in the tea gardens to avoid untreated leprosy.

We were encouraged to play our part as "co-workers with Christ" as we prayed and shared the burden of the work with generous and routine support.

To hear more about Aloka see: here (https://actions.leprosymission.org.uk/page/117804/donate/1?ea.tracking.id=p3638wxr)

TLM's goal is to see the end to new cases of Leprosy by 2035, by making the disease and its symptoms more widely known and more willingly addressed, and by encouraging people like us to see this as a part of Christ's ministry through us.



So who was Deborah?

The narrative of the Old Testament tells us about quite a few notable characters in the history of the "Chosen People." The first significant name we become aware of, dating back to around 2000 BC, is Abraham.

According to Jewish tradition Abraham was called by God to leave the place of his birth – the war torn city of Ur in Mesopotamia – and go to the land of Canaan (eventually to become Israel). At a much later stage – around 1600 BC – we read of the captivity of Abraham's descendants in Egypt, and the emergence of the great prophet, Moses. Then comes the time of the exodus (from Egypt) and the years spent in the wilderness before arriving back to the borders of the land to which Abraham had originally come. This was the land of Canaan, the place which then became referred to as "The Promised Land."

Moses, with whom we will always associate the Ten Commandments, did not live to reach the Promised Land. Leadership passed to Joshua, under whose direction the process of conquest of Canaan began to take place. So, at this stage, we have become aware of three significant male figures – Abraham, Moses and Joshua. Then, into the narrative come the Judges, including a very significant prophetess. Her name was Deborah.

The background is that after Joshua's death the Israelite people experienced a great deal of trouble. The book of Judges reveals that there were many conflicts with the indigenous peoples and that much of the trouble arose from a repetitive pattern of deserting God and taking up with the local god figures.

At this stage in their history (roughly 1220 – 1050 BC) there was no monarchy and the Israelites were largely a disunited scattering of tribal peoples. However, they were to some extent held together by a series of judges – and Deborah was a significant and influential judge from 1107BC until her death in 1067BC. She was both a judge in the judicial sense and a military strategist i.e. a woman of real authority

The best known story of her influence was her brave association with a military leader named Barak. In fact she sent for Barak and gave him "God's instruction" to go and engage in conflict against the army of Jabin, a king of Canaan. Barak was clearly uneasy about this and said to Deborah "If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go with me, I won't go (Judges 4 v.8)."

Of course Deborah went with him. They successfully defeated the army of King Jabin, and the land was at peace for the next forty years. All of this is extensively described in a marvellous text known as the Song of Deborah (Judges 5 v.1-31).

Of course there were several other judges both before and after Deborah – most notably Gideon (c.1100BC) and Samson (c.1070BC). However, my purpose here is to highlight the substantial contribution of a feminine figure in a narrative of the history of the Chosen People which is overwhelmingly masculine – but then there was also Ruth and Esther, whose stories are well worth chasing up.

Coming soon.....

Christian Aid Week 14-20 May 2023

Sometimes, with recent disasters and our response to them foremost in our minds, we imagine it is OK to skip a year of supporting the regular ministry of an organisation such as Christian Aid. We may be foolish to do so.

The work Christian Aid does is designed to help in the long-term prospects of people living in the sort of vulnerable regions which tend to suffer from occasional disasters. The more prepared they are, the more secure their food sources, the more reliable their community structures, the better able they are to help themselves.

So when Christian Aid envelopes appear at your door or at our church doors, let us give as generously as ever.

SOMA Team visit in June

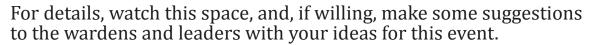
Arrangements are beginning to firm up for the visit of 40 or more members of a SOMA team to Down and Dromore in June.

SOMA is short for Sharing of Ministries Abroad, and those involved seek to use their experiences of God's love and power in their home situations, to assist parishes in other places to know God better. A small number of this team will be coming for two or three days in early June to meet with us, perhaps to enjoy some special gatherings, and both to encourage us, and pray with us, for God's renewal of his local churches. Currently, the visitors to the diocese are coming from four countries.

Please pray. Online ZOOM prayer times are arranged for Thursday 20th April at 8 pm and Wednesday 10th May at 8 pm. Please ask Stephen to send you the links to these if you would like to participate.

Killaney Parish Picnic

In late June or early July we hope to have a Parish Picnic in the grounds of St Andrew's, organised by the folks at Killaney to celebrate the end of this season. 2022-2023 has seen our Sunday Club and our Art Club reestablish themselves, a new spirit of optimism grow, and we will have also completed further improvements to our church plant.





Lilies for Easter

We thank all who have donated money to assist in purchasing lilies for use in St Ignatius' at Easter Time. Gifts given assist us in sharing as a community in the Christian Hope we have for all those who have gone before us in faith, and to thank God for special blessings received.

Rosters

Reader	8:30 am Epistle	10:00 am Lessons	12:00 pm Lessons
2	Mary Hewitt	Susan Creber	Norman May
9	David Patterson	Raymond Scott	Annie Kirkpatrick
16	Ken Fletcher	Fiona Ellis	Laura Cousins
23	Caroline Taylor	Jim Gibb	Amanda Cousins
30	Edward Darling	Sandra Thomas	Anne Mannis

	Flowers	Refreshments	
2	Elizabeth Rourke	Francis & Lorna Buchanan	
9	Easter Day	Sandra & Andrew Thomas	
16	Marlene Moore	Trevor Dunlop & Tanya Adams	
23	Vacant	Liz Maginn & Avril Woods	
30	Vacant	Fiona Ellis & Mary Hewitt	





15, Psyche. 16, Stolen. 18, Dance. 20, Debar.

Moist. 7, Sphere. 9, Deliverer. 13, Candace. 14, Deacons.

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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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Wednesday Fellowship Lunch

On Wednesday 22 March the Wednesday Fellowship had their lunch in aid of the Bishop's Appeal for the Turkey and Syrian earthquake. Twenty parishioners and friends enjoyed homemade soup & bread and cheese & crackers. Great fellowship was had and £200 raised!!!

