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Remembering Together: A Christian Reflection on Remembrance



Each year, as autumn deepens and the days grow shorter, communities across Ireland gather to remember. In village greens, town squares, churches, and cathedrals, we pause in silence. We lay wreaths. We read familiar words. We remember those who gave their lives in times of war and conflict. For the Church of Ireland, Remembrance is both a solemn civic moment and a deeply spiritual one. It is an act that connects past and present, the living and the dead, earth and heaven. As we gather for services on Remembrance Sunday, we do more than look back in sorrow; we place our remembering within the story of God's redeeming love.

Remembering Sacrifice

Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13). These words are often read at Remembrance services, and rightly so. They remind us that the ultimate act of love is self-giving. We remember those who answered the call to serve, often at great personal cost. Many never returned home. Others carried wounds — physical, emotional, and spiritual — for the rest of their lives. Their sacrifice is not to be glorified, but neither is it to be forgotten. It is to be held in honour, with gratitude, and with prayer for a world where such sacrifice may no longer be needed.

Remembering the Cost of War

As Christians, our remembering also includes acknowledging the cost of war — the suffering of civilians, the pain of divided families, the trauma carried by generations. We remember not only soldiers in uniform but all whose lives were torn apart by conflict. Remembrance is not about celebrating war; it is about recognising its weight and committing ourselves to peace. We look honestly at the past, not to dwell in guilt or pride, but to learn, to heal, and to pray that history's mistakes are not repeated.

Remembering in Hope

The Christian act of remembrance is always done in the light of resurrection hope. At the heart of our faith is the promise that God is making all things new. We remember not with despair, but with trust that God holds every life in His hands. When we observe the two minutes of silence, the stillness is not empty. It is full of memory, gratitude, and hope. We bring before God all that is broken in our world and all who are lost, trusting in His mercy and His power to bring peace.

A Call to Be Peacemakers

Finally, Remembrance is not passive. It calls us to action. Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" (Matthew 5:9). As we remember, we also renew our commitment to be people of reconciliation in our communities, our nation, and our world. May our remembering inspire us to live differently — to be bridges where there are divisions, voices of compassion where there is hatred, and lights in places of darkness.

This November, as the bugle sounds and the poppies are laid, let us remember with reverence, with honesty, and with hope. And let us commit ourselves afresh to the God who is our refuge and strength, "a very present help in trouble." (Psalm 46:1)

Adapted for Crossroads.

Mothers' Union & Friends

At our meeting on Thursday 6th November at 8pm we will be joined by Avril Edgar from Acacia Path.

Acacia Path is a local Northern Ireland charity which seeks to welcome newcomers to our shores, wholeheartedly, in the name of Jesus. They strive to treat everyone with dignity and respect as image-bearers of God, regardless of their background. They provide various support services to this end, including English classes, signposting to local resources, and helping navigate a new culture. They do this in partnership with local churches, equipping them to embrace their new neighbours with the love of Christ.



Why not come along and hear what Avril has to say? Everyone is most welcome.

Diary dates

The 16 Days of Activism..... There will be a Service in Saintfield Parish at 10:30am on Saturday 29th November. All are very welcome.

The Advent Carol Service will be in St. Dorothea's on Monday 1st December at 7:30pm. This is a great way to start off the Christmas season!

The Diocesan Communion Service held in St. Columba's on Thursday 6th November at 10.30am.

Please let Jenny know if you would like to go to any of the above.

Many congratulations to our lovely friend, Elizabeth Rourke, on the birth of her great grandson. His name is Jonah, Harry, James. He weighed in at 7lbs 2oz.

His parents are Elizabeth's grandson Andrew and his wife Erin

Remembrance Sunday

The Act of Remembrance will be held on Sunday 9th November at 10.00am in St Ignatius', Carryduff and at 12.00 in St Andrew's, Killaney. Those who have been awarded medals in recognition of their service to their country are encouraged to wear them at these services. We invite members of the scouting and guiding organisations to join us as we remember those who fought and died for our nation.

Killaney Notes

Flowers: Gunnel Rainey

Cleaning: Marie Mack



Thank you to Marlene Moore for the dedication to the Church over the years. It is very much appreciated. God Bless.

Thank you to Florence and the parishioners who decorated the church for Harvest, it was lovely as usual. Thank you to all who gave flowers and groceries, to those who contributed food towards the Harvest tea, and to all who helped.



REMEMBER WELL ...

No poppies grow in English fields
At this time of the year,
Though poppies bloom in every street -
Like magic they appear.
For we who live are proud to give
A sigh for all who died,
And brought us loneliness and grief,
Yet filled our hearts with pride ...
Those gallant ones who fought and fell,
Remember well ... remember well.

Thank You St Andrew's Congregation

To The Congregation of St Andrew's Parish Church, Killaney

Ballynahinch Foodbank extends our thanks for your generous food donation following your recent Harvest Festival. Your support makes a meaningful difference in the lives of those facing food insecurity in our community. Your kindness and commitment to helping others truly embody the spirit of compassion and service. Many families will benefit from your generosity in these difficult times.

Again, thank you for your support which is much appreciated.

Sincerely

Rosemary Logan

Co-ordinator Ballynahinch Foodbank

21 October 2025

J Club & J Club Plus Groups

Both groups have grown in numerical strength since we opened in September; there are 60 names on the register. This is a great encouragement, and we thank parents and families for their support in making sure that the young people turn up each week.

The first J Club Sunday in September had an attendance of 25 children. After the service the children and adults went into the hall where they were able to touch, feel and handle a number of animals. Outside there was an alpaca and a goat, kept safe in an open cage.

In October we had our first and last outing to 'Fantastic Soft Play', which is closing down. Our weekly evenings had the usual mix of arts/crafts, football and sports. As this goes to print, we are looking forward to J Club Sunday and a Pumpkin Patch at the end of the month. We end each evening with a Bible story and praise. Please continue to pray that the young people will come to know Jesus as their friend and grow in the Christian faith.

Like most organisations, we need more leaders and helpers to join our team. If you feel you can help, even in a small way, please speak to Keith.

Keith Shaw

Smile Lines

Exam

In the examination paper, the professor wanted us to sign a form stating that we had not received any outside assistance. Unsure of whether he should sign the form, a student admitted that he had prayed for the assistance of God.

The professor carefully studied the answer page and then replied, "You can sign it with a clear conscience. God did not assist you."

Careful!

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing the old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk.

The lady thought for a moment. "Only the Ten Commandments."

Morning

There are two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."

A deeper problem

Young James started nursery and began bringing his drawings home. Each day his mother admired the pictures and hung them on the refrigerator. But one thing bothered her. James used only black and browns for his drawings. What did that mean? Fearing a problem, and not wanting it to get worse, she decided to take him to a child psychologist.

The process of appointing a new rector

In the Church of Ireland, the process of appointing a new Rector follows a structured procedure that combines parish involvement with diocesan oversight. Once the existing rector retires, the Area Dean, in our case Stanley Gamble, oversees the parish. Services and pastoral care continue by visiting clergy and diocesan readers.

A Board of Nomination is then established to choose a new rector. The Board must be convened within a few months of the vacancy.

This board usually consists of:

- 4 diocesan representatives appointed by the diocesan synod.
- 4 parochial representatives elected by the general vestry. In our case Keith, Victoria, Jenny and Bill.
- The Bishop.

Prior to the Board of Nomination meeting, the nominators prepare a parish profile, which includes:

- Information about the parish community, worship life, ministries, and the local area.
- Qualities they hope for in a new rector.

The nominators for Killaney and Carryduff prepared their profile and met with the Bishop and the Diocesan Nominators at the beginning of October.

Our vacancy has now been advertised on the Diocesan and the Church of Ireland websites.

So what happens next :

- Interested clergy submit applications to the bishop or diocesan secretary.
- The Board of Nomination meets, considers applicants, and will then interview shortlisted candidates. The Parochial Nominators will then visit the candidates in their Parishes before making a decision.
- A nominee must receive at least two-thirds of the votes of the Board to be selected.
- If no nominee is agreed upon after three meetings, the right of appointment passes to the bishop, who then appoints a suitable person.

Formal Offer and Acceptance

Once the Board agrees on a nominee:

- The bishop contacts the nominee to offer the position.
- Upon acceptance, formal arrangements are made for the licensing and institution.

While we appreciate that everyone is keen to learn who our new Rector is going to be, we respectfully request that you do not ask! The nominators are sworn to secrecy!

As this process progresses please pray :

Lord, we ask you to equip our parochial nominators with patience and wisdom as they seek your will in finding a new rector for our parishes. We pray that the Holy Spirit will lead them to the person whom you have chosen to be our next leader and pastor. Help all of us to remain faithful in prayer and worship, and in loving service to the people around us. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

News from our link Diocese of Multan

On Monday, 20 November the quarterly zoom prayer meeting was held. Despite the geographical distance between us, there was a sense of God's presence and warm greetings from our friends in Multan. There was an update on the situation following the devastating floods. The danger of epidemic diseases, like dengue and malaria, is a big concern. Many have lost loved ones, their homes and livelihood, while others have been seriously injured. Practical help, physical and emotional healing are needed for those traumatised by the disaster.

It was moving to hear our Pakistani friends pray for our two parishes and, in particular, for our four nominators.

Prayer is asked for

- Bible translation into the local language of savaiki
- Evangelism amongst Hindu communities living in desert areas
- Difficulty in receiving financial support from abroad because of strict government regulations
- Protection for persecuted Christians falsely accused using discrimination laws
- Resources for young Christians to grow in their faith, rooted in God's Word
- Education, literacy and development of skills for more women
- Protection for women who suffer from violence, discrimination and injustice
- Role of women in ministry



Bishop of Multan

Marlene Moore

What is Gift Aid?

Gift Aid allows charities to claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. It does not cost you any extra.

If you have recently started to donate to the Church via standing order/envelope giving and are a taxpayer, you may wish to consider completing a declaration to allow the Church to benefit by claiming Gift Aid on your contributions.

Blank forms are available for completion in The Jeremy Taylor Chapel. Completed forms can be given to the Honorary Treasurers at any time.

For existing members, if you are unsure if you have already completed a Gift Aid Declaration, please speak to Sandra Thomas who can confirm if the form is already held.

It may be the case that members have now started to pay income tax and we would encourage you to sign up for Gift Aid.

Members who have previously signed Gift Aid forms while paying income tax must inform the honorary treasurer if they no longer pay income tax. A note on the collection plate to this effect will be sufficient: please mark it 'Gift Aid Notice.'

Visit of Mama Rejoice

A delegation from South Sudan came to Down and Dromore at the latter end of September and spent some time visiting churches in the diocese. Mama Rejoice, who is the wife of the Bishop of Maridi, was the speaker at two meetings for women. Two of us from our MU branch went to hear her at St Donald's hall. She told us about the problems which women face in Maridi and how the church is a 'lifeline' for them. With no health service or state benefits, families, young pregnant women, widows and even the wives of pastors turn to the church for help and advice. Because the pastors do not receive a salary they have to find a job to feed their families. The women do all the domestic chores, some of which are backbreaking. Mama Rejoice told us that the MU plays a vital role in supporting them. Women often come to her for counselling as well as financial assistance.

The family centre, from where the women get help, is going to be demolished to make way for a new road to Juba, the capital of South Sudan. A replacement is urgently needed and Down and Dromore is launching an appeal to help build a new centre on land already



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Lieutenant John Kipling, 2 Battalion the Irish Guards

John Kipling, known as Jack, was born in August 1897, the only son of Rudyard Kipling, Britain's most famous writer of the time. Kipling senior along with his American wife, Caroline had longed for a son. Jack was doted on, though his childhood was shadowed by severe short sightedness. Jack grew up in the glow of his father's fame, spending his early years in Burwash, East Sussex and Wellington College. By temperament he was cheerful, determined and rather stubborn. These traits would serve him well in the short life he was given. He shared his father's pride in King and Empire and when the war came in 1914 he was only 16 but he was desperate to enlist. Jack tried the navy, then the army, but both turned him down because of his eyesight. It might have ended there, but Rudyard, who believed passionately in the justice of the British cause, would not take no for an answer. He used his influence with Lord Roberts and others until a commission was obtained for Jack in the Irish Guards. The boy, thrilled, put on his uniform and prepared to go to the front. His father, proud but anxious, wrote to a friend that Jack was a 'son of my heart'. In August 1915, just after his 18th birthday, Jack joined his regiment in France. The great offensive at Loos was about to begin. On 27 September, three weeks after arriving, Jack led his men forward through mud, smoke and machine-gun fire. The attack faltered in chaos. Eyewitnesses saw Jack stumble, his face smashed by a shell burst, calling out in agony as the line surged past. When it was over, he did not return and he was listed as "missing". For Rudyard and Carrie, the waiting began. They scoured reports, interviewed



survivors, and clung to the rumours that Jack had been captured and was alive somewhere in Germany. Slowly, painfully, the truth sank in : Jack was gone, one more boy swallowed up by war. Jack's body was never formally recovered. In 1992, remains buried in a cemetery near Loos were identified as his, though this has since been disputed. In truth, his story belongs not to one grave but to the memory of a generation lost before it had the chance to live. Rudyard Kipling's fame ensured that Jack's death would not be forgotten. Plays, films and books have told his story, most memorably the drama, "My Boy Jack". Jack was just 18 when he died. His life was short, but in this brief span he came to stand for the countless sons who marched away to the Great War, cheered by their families, only to vanish in the mud and smoke of the Western Front.

Calendar for November

Wednesday 29 October

Psalm 111, 2 Chronicles 29:1-19, John 13:21-30

10:00 Midweek Fellowship – Rev John Dinnen in Carryduff with refreshments

Sunday 2 November The 4th Sunday before Advent (Green)

8:30 Holy Communion – Rev Brian Cadden

10:00 Luke 10:25-37

Parish Communion – Rev Brian Cadden & Mr Keith Gardiner in Carryduff

12:00 1 Chronicles 29:10-18

Parish Communion- Rev Brian Cadden & Mr Keith Gardiner in Killaney

Monday 3 November

7.30 Carryduff Vestry

Tuesday 4 November.

7.30 Killaney Vestry

Wednesday 5 November

10.00 Midweek Fellowship with refreshments In Carryduff

Romans 13:8-10, Luke 14:25-33

Sunday 9 November Remembrance Sunday (Green)

Psalm 46, John 15:9-17

10:00 Remembrance Service – Mrs Marlene Moore in Carryduff

12:00 Remembrance Service– Mrs Marlene Moore in Killaney

Wednesday 12 November

10.00 Midweek Fellowship - with refreshments in Carryduff

Titus 2:1-8, 11-14, Luke 17:7-10

Sunday 16 November The 2nd Sunday before Advent (Green)

Readings TBC

8.30 Holy Communion - Rev H Hull

10:00 Morning Prayer – Mrs Linda Abwa - CMSI

12:00 Morning Prayer - Mrs Linda Abwa - CMSI

Wednesday 19 November

11.30 Midweek Fellowship and Lunch in Carryduff

Revelation 4, Luke 19:11-28

Sunday 23 November The Kingship of Christ (White)

Luke 23:33-43

10:00 Sunday Morning Prayer – Mr Keith Shaw in Carryduff

12:00 Sunday Morning Prayer – Mr Keith Shaw in Killaney

Wednesday 26 November

10.00 Midweek Fellowship with refreshments. in Carryduff
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-17,23-28, Luke 21:12-19

Sunday 30 November Advent Sunday

(Purple)

John 45:5-42

10:00 Sunday Worship – Mr Keith Gardiner in Carryduff
Luke 10:25-37

12:00 Sunday Worship – Mr Keith Gardiner in Killaney

Preachers during November

Sun 2 Rev Brian Cadden & Mr Keith Gardiner
Wed 5 Rev Brian Cadden
Sun 9 Mrs Marlene Moore
Wed 12 Rev Brian Cadden
Sun 16 Mrs Linda Abwa - CMSI
Wed 19 Rev Alan Cross
Sun 23 Mr Keith Shaw
Wed 26 Rev Alan Cross
Sun 30 Mr Keith Gardiner



Advance Notice of Christmas Services

Killaney

December

7 Christmas tree lighting at 5:30 pm
14 Joint Nine Lessons and Carols at 3:00 pm
21 Christingle Service at 12 noon

Carryduff

December

14 Christingle Service with J Club at 10:00 am
14 Joint Nine Lessons and Carols at 3:00 pm in Killaney
21 Carols at Christmas at 10:00 am

Christmas Eve

Christmas Communion at 8:00 pm in Carryduff

Christmas Day

Christmas Communion at 9:30 am in Killaney

Christmas Family Celebration at 10:30 am in Carryduff

Keith Shaw

CMSI Mission Director Jenny Smyth to retire

Delegates at the annual Ignite Conference for Church Mission Society Ireland (CMSI) supporters, which took place in Dromantine Retreat and Conference centre near Newry on Saturday 13th September, were among the first to hear the news that the Society's Mission Director, Jenny Smyth, plans to retire from the role in the coming months.

In her remarks Jenny spoke of her history with the Society, having served for 11 years as Mission Director, 2 years as a Partnership co-ordinator and 20 years as a Mission Partner alongside her husband, Billy. Jenny said, "I now feel that someone with fresh energy, complementary skills and new vision would benefit the Society. We're really blessed with a very supportive Board of Trustees and a strong, stable staff team...and I am sure that they are well able to ensure continuity for the Society and keep things on track during the change of leadership."



Donations to Carryduff Parish Church

Supporting the church by Standing Order saves you finding cash or cheques to pay each week or month to the church funds.

Three accounts are available for you to use:

The General Account – for salaries, insurance, heat and light

The Mission Fund Account – to support outside organisations that extend our mission locally and overseas.

The Fabric Fund – to accumulate funds for major projects e.g. to repair/replace the church/hall roofs.

Details are listed below:

Account Name: Carryduff Parish Church (same for all accounts)

General Account Number: 41000675 Sort Code 95-02-58

Mission Account Number: 81050192 Sort Code 95-02-58

Fabric Account Number: 40070068 Sort Code 95-06-79

Standing Order forms are also available to take to your own Bank for set up, if so desired. Freewill Offering envelopes continue to be available for those who prefer to use paper envelopes.

Any new parishioners who wish to avail of Freewill Offering envelopes or, if currently using envelopes and wish to switch to direct payments, please speak to Susan Creber before 2026 envelopes are issued.

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Deirdre Shaw/Sandra Thomas

Wreath Making



The Parish Church, Carryduff.
Saturday 22nd November
10 am to 12 noon
£30 to include refreshments.

Please add your name to the list
in the Jeremy Taylor Chapel.





In His likeness

I have often pondered on the many times in biblical texts that it is stated that we are “made in the image of God.” What should we really understand by this?

My impression is not that the God of Heaven exists in a physical human form but, rather, that we can aspire to have a nature – a depth of understanding – that is attuned to the nature of God.

Of course we have a glorious representation of God in a human form in the person of Jesus. This, for me, is the absolutely crucial means of connection that we all have with the “God and Father of us all.” He is “the image of the invisible God, the first born of every creature. (Colossians 1 v.15).”

That issue, inevitably, gives rise to a further premise. I mean, by this, our conventional understanding of God as FATHER. We are certainly aware that Jesus himself referred to God as “father” – or is this just an example of an historical literary convention?

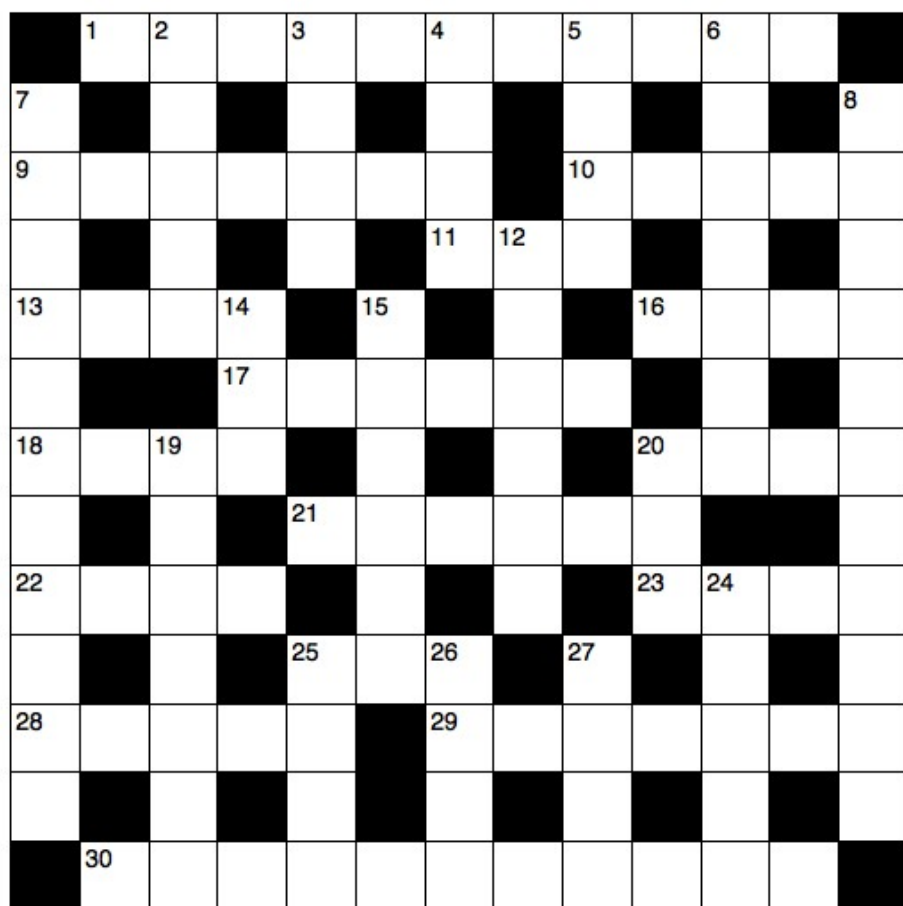
What I’m getting at here is that if we are all (i.e. both male and female) fashioned in the nature and likeness of God, surely God cannot be uniquely and solely masculine.

There are several biblical references to God (the Father?) that seek to fashion a wider understanding of the nature of God. Two observations by Jesus, himself, are significantly revealing. In one instance Jesus said to a Samaritan woman: “God is Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth (John 4 v.24).”

Then, on another occasion, when expounding to a group of Pharisees, in Jerusalem, on the nature of Godly love, He said “.....how often would I have gathered thy children together as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings.....(Luke 13 v.34).” Surely this clarifies that the nature of God goes beyond fatherhood. We are **all** fashioned or made in the image of God.

Harvest Thanksgiving

A very sincere thank you to everyone who helped to make our harvest services special: the flower arrangers, under the expert eye of Elizabeth Johnston and Florence Coulter, who decorated our churches so beautifully, members of the ‘pop up’ choir, trained and encouraged by Brian and his accompanist, Helen, who enriched our worship, the puppeteers Viona and Amanda, and the ladies and gentlemen who served up the harvest refreshments. Our preachers, Alan Cross and Glynis Jess reminded us of the faithfulness of God, our utter dependence on him, and of that final harvest when his people will be ‘gathered in, free from sorrow, free from sin’.

**Across**

- 1 The sixth disciple (Matthew 10:3) (11)
 9 'And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the — — ' (Matthew 6:13) (4,3)
 10 Love intensely (Song of Songs 1:4) (5)
 11 From Mt Carmel to Jezreel, Elijah — all the way (1 Kings 18:46) (3)
 13 One of the Midianite leaders who was captured and killed after Gideon's victory in the valley near Moreh (Judges 7:25) (4)
 16 Metallic element (4)
 17 At line (anag.) (6)
 18 'Cursed is everyone who is — on a tree' (Galatians 3:13) (4)
 20 Where Samson killed a thousand Philistines with a donkey's jawbone (Judges 15:14) (4)
 21 He succeeded Moses (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)
 22 'When he saw him, he took — on him' (Luke 10:33) (4)
 23 'For — is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction' (Matthew 7:13) (4)
 25 'The god of this — has blinded the minds of unbelievers' (2 Corinthians 4:4) (3)
 28 Fear or terror (Psalm 31:22) (5)
 29 'We, who are many, are one body, for we all — of the one loaf' (1 Corinthians 10:17) (7)
 30 Assyrian ruler assassinated by his sons while worshipping his god Nisroch (2 Kings 19:37) (11)

Down

- 2 'For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made — ' (1 Corinthians 15:22) (5)
 3 'After supper he — the cup' (1 Corinthians 11:25) (4)
 4 The request of a man of Macedonia in Paul's vision: 'Come — to Macedonia and help us' (Acts 16:9) (4)
 5 He disobeyed his father Judah by refusing to impregnate his dead brother's wife (Genesis 38:9) (4)
 6 I veto me (anag.) (7)
 7 Fourth king of Judah (1 Kings 15:24) (11)
 8 Priest of God Most High, who blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18) (11)
 12 'I have made you — — for the Gentiles' (Acts 13:47) (1,5)
 14 Implore (1 Samuel 15:25) (3)
 15 'Out of the eater, something to eat; out of the — , something sweet' (Judges 14:14) (6)
 19 'I am the most ignorant of men; I do — — a man's understanding' (Proverbs 30:2) (3,4)
 20 'Sin shall not be your master, because you are not under — , but under grace' (Romans 6:14) (3)
 24 Native of, say, Baghdad (5)
 25 The last word in the Bible (Revelation 22:21) (4)
 26 Heroic tale (4)
 27 'Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you — ' (John 8:32) (4)

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Anniversary of Marlene Moore's commissioning as a Diocesan Reader

A special service took place on Sunday 12th October to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Marlene Moore's commissioning as a Diocesan Reader. On 16th October 1975 Marlene was commissioned with another two readers in Templepatrick Parish Church.

During the 50th anniversary service, Keith interviewed Marlene about her life in the church.

When asked about why she decided to become a reader, Marlene explained that she had been asked by Rev John Dinnen to consider becoming the assistant Chaplain at the Queen's University Church of Ireland Centre.

After much consideration Marlene felt God's call and took on the role. It was then that she was commissioned as a Diocesan Reader. She remembers her time at Queen's with great fondness for its family feel. She held a weekly Bible study, assisted at Sunday services and was an important part of the students' life emotionally and spiritually.

Other fond memories are those of being in St Michael's and St Jude's where Billy, her husband, was the rector. She remembers the first Christingle service they held in 1991 in St Jude's, which became an annual fixture, and the final year there when they held an Alpha course.

The changes she has noticed in the Church of Ireland include the welcome links with other denominations, working together to God's glory. She is concerned about the 'watering down' of the Bible and said that 'God's Word has to stand.' The role of women in the church has seen major changes too; Irene Templeton, a diocesan reader and a good friend of Marlene's, having grown up together in All Saints', was one of the first women to be ordained in the Church of Ireland. In recent years a considerable number of women have become diocesan readers or trained for ordination. Now we have a female Archbishop of Canterbury!

Marlene preached the sermon based on the text from 2 Timothy 4 verse 2 'Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction.'

At the end of the service, messages were received from Stephen and Vera Lowry, a letter was read from Bishop David McClay and a video greeting was sent from Rev. Willie Nixon, Warden of the Readers and former rector at Killaney and Carryduff. Marlene was presented with flowers from the church.

A beautiful tea was served in the church hall afterwards with a special cake!

THANK YOU

A big 'thank you' to everyone who made the services on 12th October so memorable for me. It was my wish to celebrate 50 years of ministry as a Reader in a way which would give God the glory and highlight His faithfulness. I was taken aback by the warm wishes from our former rectors, Willie and Stephen, and from Bishop David. The delicious tea, special cake, and exquisite flowers from both Killaney and Carryduff, and the good wishes of you all will remain a treasured memory for many years to come.

Marlene

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Matthew 7:7-11, Luke 11:5-13

To teach about praying, and God's good gifts, Jesus told this story - 'If you have a visitor arrive in the middle of the night..'

Oh no! I have no bread to feed him! I am so ashamed! What can I do?.. I know!



'You would go round to a friend's house.'



I really, really need some bread for a visitor.



I need that bread!



Jesus concluded...

So keep on asking and it will be given, seeking and you will find, knocking and it will be opened... And parents, if your hungry child asks for bread,



'..would you give them a stone?'



'And if they asked for a fish...'



'..would you give them a snake?'



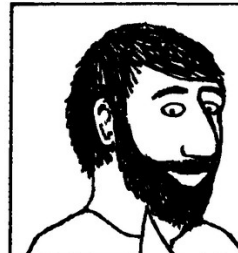
'Or if they asked for an egg...'



'you'd give a scorpion?'



If you, who aren't perfect parents, give good gifts to your children, then don't you think that gifts from your perfect Father, God, will be even better?



Rosters November

Readers	8:30 am Epistle	10:00 am Lessons	12:00 pm Lessons
2	Ken Fletcher	Trevor Dunlop	Gary Crothers
9	-	Scouts	Jane Todd
16	Jonathan Wright	Fiona Ellis	Thomas Cousins
23	-	J Club	Dylan Marks
30	-	Karen McConnell	Raine Callard

	Flowers	Refreshments	Screens
2	Jennifer Carson	Jackie and John	Andrew
9	Tanya Adams	Liz, Deirdre and Robert	Maureen
16	Ann Stewart	Victoria and Charlotte	Jenny
23		Joan and Geraldine	Fiona
30	Joan Clayton	Sandra and Andrew	Raymond

Your Church Needs You



Elizabeth and Joan are arranging all the flowers in the Church by themselves. They really need some help. If you are willing to sign up to arrange flowers for a 2 week period a couple of times a year, please speak to Elizabeth Johnston who will devise a rota. No flower arranging skills required!

All you need to do is, provide one vase of flowers to be displayed at the front of the Church. There are artificial flowers available in the flower store for your use. Your help would be very much appreciated

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DOWN: 2. Alive. 3. Took. 4. Over. 5. Onan. 6. Emotive. 7. Jehoshaphat. 8. Melchizedek. 12. A light. 14. Beg. 15. Strong. 19. Not have. 20. Law. 24. Iraq. 25. Amen. 26. Epic. 27. Free.

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