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December 2018

CHRISTMAS THE SAVIOUR IS BORN!



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Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal

The Church of Ireland's World Aid and Development Programme.



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If you would like to donate to this year's appeal, please use the Bishops' Appeal envelope, distributed with last month's magazine, and return it by placing it on the collection plate in church or bringing to the Parish Office. If you are a tax payer, you can increase the value of your donation at no extra cost to you by completing the details on the back of the donation envelope. This will allow the Bishops' Appeal to reclaim tax of 25% on the amount of your donation. Leaflets about this year's appeal are available in church.

Exhibition to Commemorate the Armistice Centenary

Many people enjoyed and have commented on the excellent exhibition, in Holy Trinity Church, to commemorate the Armistice Centenary. The exhibition included photographs and associated biographical information about soldiers from



the parish and greater Banbridge District who made the supreme sacrifice in the cause of freedom, as well as some memorabilia from the period and a powerpoint presentation.

We are indebted to Tommy and Edith McClimonds for the time and effort of preparing for the exhibition and for being present during the exhibition. Also, we are indebted to Gary Gardiner for the memorabilia he provided, to those who provided items for the exhibition and to everyone who assisted or helped in any way. Thank you.

From the Rector...

A man saw the car as it pulled unto the hard shoulder at the side of the dual carriageway. One of the tyres was flat. He wasn't going to stop and help, but as he drove past, he noticed the elderly couple in the car. On the spur of the moment, he decided he could spare a few minutes. He pulled in and went back to them. They were so glad to accept his offer to change the wheel. They thanked him profusely, when the job was done.

The woman was distraught because she had lost her engagement ring. She had an idea where it might have slipped off her finger. Thankfully, someone had noticed it, picked it up and kept it safe. The person who found the ring told some other people about it. Subsequently, one of the people who knew about him finding the ring, was talking to the woman who had lost the ring. A phone call was made, a picture of the ring was texted. It was the missing ring, within a short time the engagement ring was back on the woman's finger.

In these stories, the elderly couple were saved from the hassle of trying to change the wheel themselves or waiting for someone to come and help them; and the woman was saved from the anguish of having lost her engagement ring.

The Christmas story tells us about the birth of the Saviour, the coming of the Son of God into the world. When the angel appeared to Joseph in a dream, he told him to marry Mary, even though she was pregnant - because the baby was conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit. The angel told Joseph that Mary would give birth to a son, that he was to give him the name Jesus, because he will save His people from their sins.

He didn't save us by coming into the world, but the shadow of the cross was there from the very beginning. Jesus revealed God's character and nature during His earthly life and ministry, but it was through His death and resurrection that He has made it possible for us and others to be saved from our sin - to know a restored relationship with God when we put our faith and trust in Jesus as our Saviour.

As we celebrate His birth, remember why He came. He came to save us! Be sure you have accepted what He has made available, and live for Him with gratitude and thankfulness.

Roderic



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Carols by Candlelight

Thursday 20th December at 8:00pm | Holy Trinity Church

Come and join us for a wonderful evening of Christmas Carols and Readings celebrating the birth of Jesus. This year's collection will be for the Southern Area Hospice and Parish Funds.

Everyone is most welcome, so please tell your family and friends about this Service. Refreshments will be provided afterwards in the Parish Hall.



Love Remembers

Sunday 9th December at 3:00pm | Holy Trinity Church Hall

The Christmas season can be very difficult for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. This season can be painful, even if the bereavement was some time ago.

Individuals and families who are grieving the loss of a loved one are invited to Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall on Sunday 9th December at 3:00pm. We begin with a short time of Thanksgiving and Remembrance and conclude with Afternoon Tea.

All are welcome. Come, and invite others.

Messy Christmas

Calling all children - Nursery to P7

(Children must be accompanied by an adult)

Monday 17th December | St Patrick's Church Hall | 6:30-8:00pm

Tuesday 18th December | Holy Trinity Church Hall | 6:30-8:00pm

We celebrate the coming of Jesus into the world to bring light into our darkness. Come along to Messy Christmas this year and find out a little bit about what that means for us today. There will be lots for children to get up to with all of the messy crafts, songs, games and even some food at the end. So come along and join in the messy fun.

For more information please contact Mark. e: mark@bchurch.co.uk t: 07803736543



Praying Together

Monday 3rd December | 7:30 - 8:30pm | Holy Trinity Church

Hebrews 4:16 encourages us to approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

So do join us at our third monthly prayer event, as we come together to pray for the ministry and mission of the Church, for the community in which we live and work.

If you can't be there at 7:30pm, do join us when you can, it's ok if you need to leave early.

Celebrate@8 – Café Style Worship

Sunday 9th December @ 8:00pm | Holy Trinity Church Hall

This month's theme is Watching and Waiting.

Café-Style Church – An informal time of Worship, Teaching and Ministry.

And of course there'll be tea/coffee.

Do join us and do invite others.



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Holy Communion at Home

Anyone who is unable to attend Church and who would like to receive Holy Communion at home prior to Christmas is asked to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Please contact the Parish Office even if you have received Holy Communion at home in previous years.

Baby Basics

Referrals for Baby Basic Boxes are made through healthcare professionals, primarily through Banbridge Community Midwives. Please see the church website for further information. Please continue to pray for the families we are assisting in our community and for the NHS and it's mid-wives as they carry out their work.



Connect Groups

These groups provide an opportunity to connect with others and with God in an informal and relaxed setting, and be encouraged and supported in living out our faith in daily life. This term we are focusing on Discipleship. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to find out more or would like to get involved.



Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal

Christmas can be a very difficult time of the year for many families who are in financial difficulties. We are therefore seeking to support the Salvation Army Family Appeal this year, as we have in the past. Please bring new toys to the services in St Patrick's and Holy Trinity Church on **9th December**. Presents do not need to be gift wrapped. We will then send these off to the Salvation Army who will deliver these presents to families prior to Christmas.



Gifts are needed for children and teenagers. By giving a gift to the Christmas Present Appeal you can make a real difference in someone's life at Christmas. Thank you.

Vestry Report

Holy Trinity Church - As reported in last month's magazine, it is anticipated that repairs to the organ will recommence in January 2019. Repairs have begun to the windows broken during the recent break-in; the cost of this work will be met by our insurance company. A sensor light at the disabled access door has been installed.

Holy Trinity Church Hall - A contractor has been appointed to carry out the work at the Church Hall to upgrade the toilets and do other minor works. This work is being funded by a grant from the SIF (Social Investment Fund). It is anticipated that the work will begin in January.

It was agreed to upgrade the controls for the heating system in the Church Hall. It is hoped that this work will commence early in 2019.

St Patrick's Church - The pew cushions have been repaired and the Select Vestry would like to thank Esther Hammond from the Knitting & Crotchet club for all her help.

St Patrick's Church Hall - It is anticipated that work to repair the flat roof at the front entrance end of St Patrick's Church Hall will begin shortly; once this problem is addressed, the interior wall can be repainted.

Carols by Candlelight - This collection at this year's service, Thursday 20th December, will be shared between the Southern Area Hospice, Newry and Parish Funds.

Andrew Bennett

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CAP Life Skills

There is a world where the more money you have, the better result you get: a better service, a better product, the best attention. However, the Kingdom of God turns this on its head, "Jesus took a little child and had him stand beside him. Then he said to them, 'whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For he who is least among you all - he is the greatest.'" Luke 9 v 47- 48.

Our parish has been given the opportunity to welcome and support clients through our CAP Life Skills group – teaching how to cook economically, build a sustainable budget and encourage healthy relationships. We have made many new friends who have discovered a church family which is encouraging and caring.

We do everything the best we possibly can and, in doing so, we serve the greatest - Jesus, the King of Kings.

So, we say, 'Merry Christmas' to all and a big 'Thank You' to all who continue to support and encourage us, both practically and with prayer.

A reminder - our very popular cookbook which contains lots of our favourite Friday recipes is on sale for £3.50. Copies are available from any of the CAP leaders or the Parish Office. They'd make a great Christmas present as well as raising awareness of CAP.

CAP finishes for Christmas on **Friday 7th December**. We plan to resume our CAP Life Skills meetings on **Friday 11th January** 2019 (11:00 am – 1:00 pm in Holy Trinity Church Hall) and would love to see you – why not consider something new for 2019?

For more information on any of CAP's work, please call Parish Office (02840 622744) or Alison (07707 313302).



Sunday Space & Sunday School

This year in Sunday Space and Sunday School we have had a great time going through the third year of our JIGSAW program. So far, we have looked at the life of Daniel and his friends, the life of John the Baptist and looked at how "God is powerful". Each week we have crafts, memory verses, stories and much more to help us learn about God's plan for our lives.

Sunday School

Children go out for Sunday School halfway through the 10:00am service in St Patrick's.

Children will be taking part in the service on Sunday 16th December and the Carol Service on Sunday 23rd December.



Sunday Space

Children go out for Sunday Space halfway through the 11:15am service in Holy Trinity.

Children will be taking part in the Christmas Unwrapped service on Sunday 23rd December.



We look forward to seeing the children in Church on Christmas Day, on Sunday 30th December and on Sunday 6th January. Sunday School and Sunday Space back as usual on **Sunday 13th January**.

For more info please contact Mark. t: 07803736543 e: mark@bchurch.co.uk

Men's Society

This year the Men's Society Christmas Dinner will be held in the Bistro Restaurant, Jingers Court on Monday 3rd December at 7:30pm for 8:00pm start. Multi choice menu at a cost of £25.00. Menus are available in Church or from the Parish Office. Please put your name on the menu, mark your choices, and return with the payment to Church or the Parish Office. All men are welcome. Please confirm your attendance as soon as possible.

We had an informative meeting in November, hearing about the local 'Talking Newspaper'. Dennis Lockhart began by telling us about the establishment of the local Talking Newspaper and it's role over the years in providing a vital service, to people in the community.

Monday Club

Monday Club met on 12th November when our speaker was Mr Leo Kelly of the Caged Birds Society. He brought along his canaries and also some booklets containing information on the Caged Birds Society and all the different varieties of birds.

Our next meeting will be our Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 11th December at 1:30pm in the Belmont Hotel. Cost £15.

Peggy Magill

Men's Football Club

The Men's Football Club meets every Wednesday in the Parish Hall from 8:15 - 9:30pm. It is open to all men aged 18 and over. If you are interested just come along to the Parish Hall any Wednesday evening.

Men's Football finishes for Christmas on **5th December** and starts back **9th January**.

Bowling Club

There will be just two nights left in December for Holy Trinity Bowlers before the Christmas break. Thursday 6th December will be the sponsored Christmas Tournament, followed on the 13th by the Christmas Dinner. No bowls on the 20th December. All are welcome to come along to Carols by Candlelight in the Church. Two games were played late November, away to Ballyward and Magherally. Congratulations to William Murphy and Jennifer Bartlet winning the first trophy of the season - the Pairs Cup. Bowls will resume on **Thursday 10th January**.

We wish all our members a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Knitting & Crochet Club

The Knitting and Crochet Club meets in St Patrick's Church Hall, Seapatrick on Thursday mornings from 10:30am-12:00pm. If anyone would like any information on the club, please contact the Parish Office or just come along. You will be very welcome.

We finish for Christmas on **20th December** and start back on **3rd January**.

Banbridge Community Foodbank

Contributions to the community foodbank of non-perishable food stuffs can be left in the boxes in Church. Items for Christmas hampers would be appreciated - tea/coffee, small selection boxes, small boxes of sweets. Thank you to all who contribute to the foodbank.

Ready, Steady, Go! Kids Club

For Primary School Children

Fridays 6:30-7:30pm | Holy Trinity Church Hall

We are having an amazing time in Ready, Steady, Go! We are continuing our journey through the Bible seeing how God worked in people's lives in the past and thinking what God's plan is for our lives. So far we have gone through Genesis and Exodus looking at stories like Abraham, Moses, Joseph, and more.

Each week we have lots of fun playing games, listening to stories and getting stuck into some wonderful crafts. Bring your kids along to join in the fun.

Ready, Steady, Go! finishes for Christmas on **Friday 14th December** - starts back **Friday 11th January**.

For more info please contact Mark. t: 07803736543 e: mark@bchurch.co.uk

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St Patrick's Kid's Club

For Primary School Children P4-P7 | Thursdays 3:30-4:30pm | St Patrick's Church Hall

Each week at Kid's Club we have an Xbox, pool table, Wii and lots of other things for kids to enjoy. We have designed it to be a safe and fun space for children from Seapatrick to come and hang out and relax after a busy week at school.

If you know children who live in the Seapatrick area, invite them to come and join in the fun.

Kid's Club finishes for Christmas on **Thursday 13th December** - back on **Thursday 10th January**.

For more info please contact Mark. t: 07803736543 e: mark@bchurch.co.uk

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Drop-In

For Young People 1st Year – Upper 6th

Fridays 3:30-5.00pm | Holy Trinity Church Hall

Drop-In is a safe and relaxed space for young people to come and have fun after a busy week at school. We have Xbox's, a pool table, tuck shop, ping pong table and even a chill out space where young people can come and do some crafts.

If you have young people who are looking for something to do on a Friday afternoon then Drop-In is the place to be.

Drop-In finishes for Christmas on **Friday 14th December** - back on **Friday 11th January**.

For more info please contact Mark. t: 07803736543 e: mark@bchurch.co.uk

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Rhyme & Bounce

For Pre-School Children and their Parents/Carers

Mondays at 11:30am | Holy Trinity Church Hall

Rhyme and Bounce is a program designed to help babies and toddlers with their literacy and numeracy development. Each week we have great fun with play time, tea and coffee and nursery rhyme activities.

Baby Basics finishes for Christmas on **Monday 17th December** - back on **Monday 7th January**.

For more info please contact Mark. t: 07803736543 e: mark@bchurch.co.uk

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2nd December – The First Sunday of Advent

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 9:45am | Holy Communion |
| | 11:15am | Morning Worship |
| | 6:30pm | Evening Prayer |
| <i>St Patrick's, Seapatrick</i> | 10:00am | All Age Service |

5th December – Wednesday

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 10:30am | Holy Communion |
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9th December – The Second Sunday of Advent

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 9:45am | Morning Prayer |
| | 11:15am | Morning Worship |
| | 6:30pm | Evening Prayer |
| <i>St Patrick's, Seapatrick</i> | 10:00am | Morning Prayer |

12th December – Wednesday

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 10:30am | Holy Communion |
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16th December – The Third Sunday of Advent

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 9:45am | Morning Prayer |
| | 11:15am | Morning Worship – Holy Communion |
| | 6:30pm | Evening Prayer |
| <i>St Patrick's, Seapatrick</i> | 10:00am | Morning Prayer |

19th December – Wednesday

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 10:30am | Holy Communion |
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20th December – Thursday

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:00pm | Carols by Candlelight |
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23rd December – The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 9:45am | Morning Prayer |
| | 11:15am | Morning Worship - Christmas Unwrapped |
| | 6:30pm | Service of Nine Lessons & Carols |
| <i>St Patrick's, Seapatrick</i> | 10:00am | Service of Lessons & Carols |

24th December - Christmas Eve

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 11:15pm | Holy Communion |
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A creche is available at the 11.15am Service - See page 17

25th December – Christmas Day

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 11:00am | Christmas Celebration |
| <i>St Patrick's</i> | 10:00am | Holy Communion – All Age Service |

Children are welcome to bring some of the presents or toys they have received to the 10am and 11am Services on Christmas Day.

30th December – The First Sunday of Christmas

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| <i>Holy Trinity, Banbridge</i> | 8:30am | Holy Communion |
| | 9:45am | Morning Prayer |
| | 11:15am | Morning Worship |
| | 6:30pm | Evening Prayer |
| <i>St Patrick's, Seapatrick</i> | 10:00am | Morning Prayer |

Inspire

For Secondary School Aged Young People
Sundays 7:00-8:30pm | Holy Trinity Church Hall

We have had an absolute blast in Inspire this year with around 30 young people coming to hang out with us each week. We have been reading through the book of Acts and it has been wonderful to see all of the young people engaged in this and in our theme for the year, 'Immeasurably More'.

In October we had a superb weekend away with 24 young people coming with us to the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum. We had a great time playing games all around the Museum and the young people really enjoyed listening to Tim Burns (Diocesan Youth Development Officer) as he shared with us about some characters from the Bible.

Inspire finishes for Christmas on **Sunday 16th December** - starts back **Sunday 6th January**.



Saturday Night Live

1st December in Saintfield Parish

If you are planning to attend this Diocesan youth event in Saintfield please let me know. It will be a great night with lots of Christmas fun.



Christmas Sock Exchange

16th December

This year at our Christmas party we are going to have a "Sock Exchange". We are asking everyone to buy the craziest Christmas socks they can find, fill them full of sweets and bring them along to the party. We will exchange socks and then have a big party.

All young people welcome.



Small Groups

6th Year: Tuesdays 4:00-6:00pm

5th Year: Wednesdays (heading to Diocesan SERVE course in Belfast).

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Mothers' Union

Members will meet together this month at the Carols by Candlelight service, where you can sing for your supper, on Thursday 20th December at 8:00pm in Holy Trinity Church.



Looking ahead, our Annual Dinner will be on Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 7:30pm in the Belmont Hotel. Your menu choice and payment must be made in advance and Vivienne is now collecting payment of £18.95.

A Big Thank You to all who brought gifts to our last meeting for the Women's Refuge this Christmas. Also, for your donations and continued support for the Hospital washbags and all the knitted and hand-crafted items made for various projects. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated by all who receive your items. THANK YOU!

Wishing you and your families peace and joy this Christmas.

Nina Coffey

Christmas comes to St Patrick's Ladies Guild

We had a most enjoyable evening in November with Keith Lindsay, who showed us how to make some beautiful floral arrangements for the Christmas season and shared his life story with us. It was great to have some new ladies join with us.

Christmas Lunch - Our lunch is on Tuesday 11th December in the Belmont Hotel at 1:00pm. Please remember to bring along your £5 Secret Santa gift.

Wishing all our members a blessed and peaceful Christmas.

Sandra Donaldson

Parent & Toddler Group

We meet in the Parish Hall at Holy Trinity on Wednesday mornings from 10:30am to 12:00pm. Please come along and join us – we would love to see you there. Please contact Annette Bennett (07742 593486) or the Parish Office (4062 2744) if you would like further information. Parent and Toddler group finishes for Christmas on **Wednesday 12th December** – back on **Wednesday 9th January**.

New Wine Ireland Summer Conference in Sligo

Sunday 14th – Friday 19th July 2019

Early bird booking rate ends 30th November



Sligo 19 is a key event for the Church in Ireland to join together for a week of worship, ministry and teaching. Relevant and fun filled programmes keep those aged 0-18 happy while the adults can enjoy the main sessions, seminars and workshops throughout the week. The key values of worship, teaching and ministry are held firmly in all the programmes.

Speakers this year include: Dr Amy Orr-Ewing (RZIM and OCCA); Dr Krish Kandiah (Home for Good); Rev John and Mrs Annie Hughes (New Wine, England).

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Rangers - Christmas Family Quiz

1st Banbridge Ranger Unit is holding a Christmas Family Quiz on Saturday 8th December at 7:00pm in the Church Hall. This event is to help Maia Slaine, one of our members, to raise funds for her trip to the International Camp in Bavaria, next summer.

We hope lots of people will join in the fun quiz which has been planned by the girls themselves. The fee for this evening is £3 per person and will include supper.

Helen & Cathy

Confirmation

Young people who are considering Confirmation, the public declaration of their faith and being confirmed by the Bishop, are asked to contact Mark as soon as possible. This will help us know numbers as we plan the start of our Confirmation Course.

Young people should be at least 14 years old by 30/6/19. They should be attending Church, Sunday Space or Sunday School and Inspire.

Adults who are considering being Confirmed are asked to contact the Rector or Parish Office.

Creche - December

2nd Dec - Julie McCreanor & Laura Elliott

9th Dec - Angela Knox & Lisa Whittle

16th Dec - Julie McMurray & Lorna Dawson



The New Testament in a Year

We are encouraging parishioners to read through the New Testament in a Year, you can still get involved at this stage - just start reading.

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| <i>Dec-01</i> | Luke 3 | <i>Dec-17</i> | 1 John 3 |
| <i>Dec-02</i> | Luke 5.1-16 | <i>Dec-18</i> | 1 John 4 |
| <i>Dec-03</i> | Luke 5.17-39 | <i>Dec-19</i> | 1 John 5 |
| <i>Dec-04</i> | Luke 6.1-19 | <i>Dec-20</i> | 2 John 1 |
| <i>Dec-05</i> | Luke 6.20-49 | <i>Dec-21</i> | 3 John 1 |
| <i>Dec-06</i> | Luke 7.1-29 | <i>Dec-22</i> | Luke 1.1-25 |
| <i>Dec-07</i> | Luke 7.30-50 | <i>Dec-23</i> | Luke 1.26-56 |
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| <i>Dec-10</i> | Luke 8.40-56 | <i>Dec-26</i> | Luke 2.22-52 |
| <i>Dec-11</i> | Luke 9.1-17 | <i>Dec-27</i> | John 1.1-18 |
| <i>Dec-12</i> | Luke 9.18-36 | <i>Dec-28</i> | John 1.19-51 |
| <i>Dec-13</i> | Luke 9.37-62 | <i>Dec-29</i> | John 2.1-22 |
| <i>Dec-14</i> | 1 John 1 | <i>Dec-30</i> | John 2.23-3.21 |
| <i>Dec-15</i> | 1 John 2.1-17 | <i>Dec-31</i> | John 3.22-36 |
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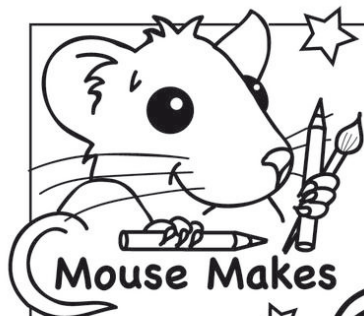
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Then an army of angels appeared praising God. When the angels left the shepherds hurried to Bethlehem, found Joseph and Mary and saw the baby lying in a manger.



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Sunday 2nd December

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Mrs D Cox, Bambrick Terrace
Mrs D Bernardi, Halfway Road
Mrs N Cairns, Bannview Heights

Sunday 9th December

Communion Table:

Porch:

Mrs F Jackson, Oakdale
Mrs F Crooks, Ballymacormick Rd

Sunday 16th December

Communion Table:

Porch:

Mrs R Walker, Chinauley Park
Mrs P Chambers, Reilly Street

Sunday 23rd December

Communion Table:

Porch:

Mrs M Gillespie, Granville Gardens
Mrs G Adamson, Chinauley Park

Sunday 30th December

Communion Table:

Porch:

Mrs J West, Lurgan Road
Mrs D Jones & Dr C Jones,
Fir Tree Lane

Hospital Visits

We can no longer be certain that hospitals will provide us with notification of parishioners who have been admitted. If you or any parishioner you may know is in hospital, **please let us know by telephoning the Parish Office or the Rectory.**



FLOWER ROTA ARRANGEMENTS

Holy Trinity Church

Flowers can be placed in the church as follows:

Friday 9.30am to 3.30pm

- (Please ring the Parish Office first to ensure the church is available)

Saturday 10.30am to 12pm

- Other times by special arrangement only - please contact Audrey Reid.

Audrey's contact details are:

T: 07850 212758

E: audreywilsonreid@yahoo.com

Anyone wishing to go onto the Flower Rota, please contact Audrey Reid or the Parish Office, giving your details and preferred month.

St Patrick's Church

2nd December

Dorothy McClory & Jeanette Thompson

There are currently some spaces on St Patrick's Church Flower Rota. Please contact the Parish Office for further information or to check what dates are available. Parishioners may wish to mark a birthday or anniversary by placing flowers in the Church.

From the Parish Registers

BAPTISMS

18th November

Penny Elizabeth Grace Carson

Ashgrove Avenue, Banbridge

FUNERALS

30th September

William Campbell

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4th November

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You will see below the list of our parish organisations and their various days and times. For further information and contact details, please contact the Parish Office on 4062 2744.

Weekly - Children/Young People

Day/Time

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Sunday Space | Sun 11:45am-12:20pm |
| Sunday School | Sun 10:30am-11:20am |
| Creche | Sun 11:45am-12:20pm |
| Inspire (Yrs 8-14 in School) | Sun 7.00pm-8:30pm |
| Cub Scouts | Mon 6:30-8:00 pm |
| Scouts | Mon 8:00-9:30 pm |
| Brownies (A) | Mon 6:30-8:00 pm |
| Squirrels | Tues 6:00-7:00 pm |
| Beavers | Tues 7:00-8:00 pm |
| Guides | Tues 7:00-8:30 pm |
| Rangers | Tues 7:00-8:30 pm |
| Parent & Toddlers | Wed 10:30-12:00 |
| Rainbows | Thurs 5:45-6:45pm |
| Brownies (B) | Thurs 6:30-8:00pm |
| Kid's Club (St Patrick's) | Thurs 3:30-4:30pm |
| Ready, Steady, Go | Fri 6:30-7:30 pm |
| Drop-In | Fri 3:30-5:00pm |

Weekly – Over 18's

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Choir | Sun 10:45am-11:00 am |
| Football | Wed 8:15pm-9:30 pm |
| Bowling Club | Thurs 7:45pm-10:00 pm |
| Knitting & Crochet Club | Thurs 10:00am-12:00pm |

Monthly – Over 18's

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Monday Club | 2nd Monday |
| Men's Society | 3rd Monday |
| Ladies Guild | 2nd Tuesday |
| Mother's Union | 3rd Wednesday |

**DON'T
FORGET**

The deadline for articles for the January magazine is **Monday 6th December**. Please leave any articles into the Parish Office, drop them into the office postbox or send them to the office email address – info@bchurch.co.uk

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