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EDITORIAL

In Ulster there are little phrases that stick in the mind and suddenly pop up when you least expect it. Some concern another person's behaviour, some their attitude to life, and others on how they are perceived. Some are downright funny, such as when a person is lying in their coffin and the remark is made, "he just looks like himself." Or "his face would stop a clock," and my favourite was from my mother, on being questioned about a relative's intelligence, she remarked he was "as thick as a Bull's Lug". The young golfer from Holywood who has been doing great things in America has been described in the media as "coming from a good family". In Ulster there are fewer accolades higher than that.

Two phrases have come to mind in the last number of days. One is "Augher, Clogher and Fivemiletown", and the other is "he's a right fella". At the magazine we would congratulate The Reverend John McDowell on his election as Bishop of Clogher. It was brought home to me when I read his letter in this month's magazine that this was to be his final letter as Rector. During his time as Rector there have been changes to the Parish in general. His sense of purpose for the Parish, both spiritually and materially have been impressive. He will be missed. I am sure he will understand when I use the phrase, "he's a right fella". We all understand that is the highest accolade.

This is our final issue of the season and we will be back in September full of vim and vigour. My thanks to all who have contributed, produced, stapled and delivered.

Editor

***Articles for the September edition of 'The Lion' should be with
the Parish Office by Tuesday, 16 August 2011***

FROM THE RECTOR



I find it almost impossible to believe that I am sitting down to write my final Letter as Rector of St. Mark's, Dundela. It seems like only yesterday that we travelled down from the parish in Coleraine to have a look at the rectory and choose some paint and wallpaper for the redecoration.

One of Dorothy's earliest memories in life is of looking out of her bedroom window to see the scaffolding that was still surrounding the house to finish work on the chimney stacks. It has been a wonderful house to live in and we have all been exceptionally happy here.

Coming as rector to St. Mark's in 2002 seemed like a rather formidable and forbidding task at the time. However I needn't have worried, as I met with a warm welcome and have made many friends during the past nine years. The work has been pretty constant but the group of people who surrounded me were first class, and if we achieved anything, we did so together, as a team.

Although it may sound like something of a clergyman's cliché, during those years I have shared in some of the most joyful and some of the most difficult moments in people's lives. I have been welcomed into your homes in every sort of circumstance and I leave St. Mark's an emotionally richer person than when I arrived.

There are very few places in the Church of Ireland like St. Mark's, Dundela – possibly none. Certainly the building is unique, but also the tradition of worship which it sustains musically and liturgically is a prodigy of commitment in the modern Church of Ireland. We shall miss it dreadfully, and have very mixed feelings about leaving.

After all that, you might well be forgiven for asking "Then, why are you going"? I suppose the answer to that is "Because I have been asked".

Believe me when I say I was shocked when the Primate rang me on Monday 30 May to say that I had been elected by the House of Bishops to be the next Bishop of Clogher. Indeed I still can't help thinking that there must be another John McDowell somewhere, sitting beside the telephone, anxiously waiting for a call from the Archbishop of Armagh!

I hope you will also believe me when I say that the responsibility which goes with Episcopal office is particularly daunting, especially in a new diocese which I know little enough about. And the challenge of moving is just as difficult for Mary and for Dorothy who will miss their many friends here in St. Mark's and the general area.

My final service in St. Mark's will be the **10.30am Parish Communion on Sunday 21 August 2011** and we would love to see as many parishioners as possible for that formal farewell service.

The service of Consecration as Bishop of Clogher will take place in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen on Friday 23 September 2011 at 7.00pm. I realise that Enniskillen may seem like quite a drive on a Friday evening but it would be wonderful to see lots of familiar faces at that service also. I think that the Church Wardens may be helping to organise transport, and there may even be a few of you who will make a weekend of it.

Soon after I leave, the Parochial Nominators will be getting together with the Diocese to begin the search for a new rector of this great parish. I have no doubt that they will find one who will be better than the last one. Whoever it may be I know that you will give him or her all the warmth and support that I have enjoyed.

In the meantime most of the day to day duties will fall to our curate the Revd Lynne Gibson, who has already marked herself out as a very capable pastor. Lynne will require all of the enthusiasm and assistance that you can provide. It is one of my deepest regrets in leaving St. Mark's that I will no longer have Lynne as a valued colleague.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS



HOLY BAPTISM

Jesus said, "One Lord, one Faith, one baptism, one Lord and Father of us all." (Ephesians 4: 5)

12 June 2011 Christopher Robert Rogers of 14 Cumberland Drive,
Dondonald

19 June 2011 Amelia Sarah Lewis of 11 Kincora Avenue, Belfast

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGES

"What God has joined together, let man not separate" (Matthew 19:6)

3 June 2011 Christopher Kenneth Mills to Lisa Helen McKee of 193
Greenville Road, Belfast

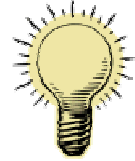
10 June 2011 Roger John Higginson to Rosemary Sophie Anne
Meharry of Glasgow, Scotland

CHRISTIAN BURIALS

"I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord" (John 11:25)

17 June 2011 Eileen Guthrie Baker late of 5 Victoria Drive, Belfast

FLOODLIGHTING, COUNTING



OUTDOOR FLOODLIGHTING JULY 2011

Donation for church floodlighting gratefully received from:

3 The Welch Family of 32 Garnerville Park in loving memory of George

OUTDOOR FLOODLIGHTING AUGUST 2011

Donation for church floodlighting gratefully received from:

7 Mr Ken Ginn of 15 Massey Park in memory of his mother Nora Ginn

21 Mr & Mrs D Parrock of 10 Finchley Gardens in memory of their parents

21 Miss J Frame of 12 Kinedar Crescent in memory of her parents

COUNTING



COLLECTION COUNT ROTA JULY 2011

Convenor Max Livingstone

Counters Joan Frame
Olive McMichael
Clifford Bennett

COLLECTION COUNT ROTA AUGUST 2011

Convenor Michael Newman

Counters Paul Johnston
Elsie Caven
Edna Dowling

FLOWERS – JULY & AUGUST



JULY

- 3 THE EVERGREENS
- 10 Miss Margaret Grahame
33 Clonallon Gardens
In loving memory of her parents, Jack and Louie McAlister.
- 17 Miss D Hamill
2 Loughiew Fold, 159A High Street, Holywood
In loving memory of her parents
- 24 Mrs M Welch,
32 Garnerville Park
In memory of George
- 31 Berrie and Gladys O'Neill
14 Sydenham Avenue
- Side Chapel Mr D McIlwaine and family
Apt 9B Victoria Place
In loving memory of Maude

AUGUST

- 7 Mrs M McFadden
139 Circular Road
- 14 Mr R McMillan
15 Beechfield Drive Bangor
In memory of Heather
- 21 Mrs L Crone
5 Tarawood, Cultra
In memory of her husband
- 28 Mr and Mrs T Hunter
Troopersgate, Troopers' Field, Comber
In memory of Mr and Mrs Harold Gifford

Lesley E E Donaldson 90654866

CALENDAR OF WORSHIP – JULY 2011

Sunday 3 Second Sunday after Trinity : Saint Thomas

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Holy Communion & Ministry of Healing

Wednesday 6

11.00am Holy Communion
7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 10 Third Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 13

11.00am Holy Communion
7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 17 Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (1662)
10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 20 Saint Mary Magdalene (t'sfd)

11.00am Holy Communion
7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 24 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 27

11.00am Holy Communion
7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 31 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Compline

CALENDAR OF WORSHIP – AUGUST 2011

Wednesday 3 Feast of Transfiguration (t'sfd)

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 7 Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Holy Communion & Ministry of Healing

Wednesday 10

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 14 Eighth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 17

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 21 Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion (Rector's Final Service)

6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 24 St Bartholomew

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 28 Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Compline

Wednesday 31

11.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Intercessions for the Sick

Sunday 4 September Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Holy Communion & Ministry of Healing

Once, upon a thyme leaf,
There lived a lazy snail.
Who munched and dozed, and dozed and munched,
On thyme he breakfasted and lunched,
And when it came to half past nine,
He chose once more to dine on thyme.

Later, upon the thyme leaf,
Was a rather plumper snail.
But, reader dear, his life was brief,
For this is no fairy tale

He ate more and more, and grew fatter and fatter
Until one day he exploded, bang, splat, splatter.
One minute he was there,
The next he'd gone.
The coroner's verdict
'A snail thyme bomb'.

This poem is a nod to Bob and Angela and all their hard work..

PRAYER PAGE

Sometimes we can just pray for something simple. !!!

Father, thank You for the rain. It has been raining in our area for the last few days, Lord. Father, I come before Your Throne of Grace asking You to bless us with sunshine. I ask this Father, so that we can dry our clothes, and the road will not be slippery. I pray O Lord for this sunshine so that my first grandchild will experience the beautiful sunshine and good weather. You know when she is expected to come home from the hospital, Lord. Father, I know nothing is impossible with You. You created all things. Thank You, Lord for hearing and answering my prayer for good weather. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

THE MEN'S GROUP *from Tony Wilson*

On 24 May the Men's Group welcomed our speaker, Assistant Chief Constable Will Kerr from the Police Service of Northern Ireland. He joined the R.U.C. 22 years ago and has since acquired a spread of policing experience: he has worked as a Senior Investigating Officer on murder and other serious crime; he has been District Commander in Newtownabbey; he was recently Head of the Police College and is now responsible for the Criminal Justice Department. He has also undertaken wide-ranging study of the essentials of his work and holds three degrees in Social Science, Criminology and Human Rights Law.

With the aid of a powerpoint presentation he spoke to us with information and explanation of policing in Northern Ireland over the last ten years or more. The Belfast Agreement signed on Good Friday 1998 brought remarkable change into the politics of this country and the Patten Commission in 1999 laid down the rules for policing within the new politics. Sir Ronnie Flanagan had carried out a recent review of policing for the R.U.C. and so the force was able to accept the great majority of the proposals in the Patten report.

But there were some highly visible and at the time controversial proposals: the R.U.C. was merged into the Police Service of Northern Ireland (the word 'service' was crucial); the uniform, the badge, the flag were changed; there was an emphasis on new recruits – on the one hand female, on the other Roman Catholic.

Less visibly, but importantly a new code of ethics was introduced, based on the ideal of human rights. The structure of the new P.S.N.I. was laid down; a large number of police stations was closed - our speaker made a revealing remark. The area that a police station in the old R.I.C. or the R.U.C. was limited to was the distance the sergeant could easily cover by walking or on a bicycle. The modern police service uses a fast car. There was to be a neutral working environment in a police station - political and other symbols were banned. The P.S.N.I. was reduced to a limit of 7000 officers. A high standard of entry was set, one officer to be appointed out of 50 applicants. Recruitment was set at 50-50, Protestant and

Catholic. As a result the percentage of R.C. officers rose from 8% to 30%. Women police officers' numbers rose from 12% to 26%.

We were shown a number of slides setting out the aims and objectives, the standards required and the promises made by the new P.S.N.I. and the basic three points: that the Service was to be accountable to the law, to be representative of society and to protect the human rights of all (an echo of our speaker's three degrees). After speaking for exactly 40 minutes Will Kerr answered several questions briefly and informatively. By the end of the evening we in the audience were much better informed about the nature and structure of the P.S.N.I. and we are grateful to him for giving us his time and the benefit of his professional experience. As usual we adjourned to the main hall to take tea or coffee and to talk about what we had heard.

EVERGREENS *from Lorna Symmons and Joan Eakin*



The final Evergreens' outing for this year was to Dobbies' Garden Centre in Lisburn. We were fortunate with the weather and enjoyed a stroll around the gardens and the lovely selection of accessories and foodstuffs inside. We had afternoon tea first and afterwards went to Harmony Hill Presbyterian Church for a meal, which was delicious.

Our thanks to the ladies there for looking after us so well again. Our next session begins on Wednesday 12th October at 2.30pm.

We would like to wish all our ladies a lovely summer break and to thank the Committee for all their hard work over the year.

We look forward to another busy year.



Time to Relax!

High summer in the garden is the highlight of the year for the keen gardener. We should now see the garden at its best with all the plants growing to perfection.

It is time for relaxation in the garden after attending to a variety of pleasant minor jobs – tidying the borders, dead heading the roses, watering and feeding the hanging baskets and other containers. It is so very important to pay attention to watering. Plants that are allowed to dry out can be seriously damaged for the remainder of the season and some may not recover. The cool of the evening is the best time to water your containers. The water will penetrate into the root area overnight with no loss due to evaporation. In very hot weather it may be necessary to water your plants twice daily. Keep to a regular feeding programme to sustain growth and flower production. Don't forget the plants in the greenhouse which are at greater risk of drying out. You will find that your plants will grow much better in an open area where they are not scorched by the sun. Move them outside where this is possible.

With more time to relax in the garden it is worthwhile giving some thought to possible improvements to existing planting arrangements, general layout and to plants of particular merit which you may wish to add to your borders. It is quite an easy task to make a simple plan of the garden and the entire planting area. It may be found that some plants are in the wrong place and that some have out-grown their usefulness. Record on paper all the changes you wish to make. Hold on to your notes and during the remainder of the summer and into autumn give some thought to a simple plan of action to be taken during winter and into next spring. Your plans need not be elaborate and do remember that any additional work can be carried out in easy stages.

The small to medium size garden can be transformed with a little effort and at reasonable cost.



Summer delicacies!

Very often during the warmer weather we all feel like eating less but must remember that our bodies still require certain nutrients to keep us healthy. The following drinks help to give us the necessary calcium in our diet!

Caribbean Cup

- 1 large orange
- 3 cartons of low fat orange yoghurt
- 1 pint skimmed milk

Squeeze juice from orange and place in blender with yoghurt.
Blend for few seconds
Gradually add the milk blending in short bursts!
Pour into four glasses . Crushed ice may be added

Raspberry Shake

- 2 low fat raspberry yoghurt
- 1 banana
- 3/4 pint skimmed milk

Mash banana, add yoghurt and mix well.
Put in blender with milk and blend for few seconds
Pour into two glasses.

Chocolate Banana Shake

- 1 banana
- 2 cartons low fat chocolate yoghurt
- 1/2 pint skimmed milk

Puree banana in blender.
Add yoghurt and milk and blend for 30 seconds.
Pour into 2 glasses

And now for a summer treat!

Banana split with a hot fudge sauce

15g butter

25g plain choc (Green & Black or Bourneville)

2 tablesp warm milk

100g soft brown sugar

3 teaspoons syrup

few drops vanilla essence

Melt choc in bowl over pan of boiling water

Add butter and stir until smooth. Blend in milk.

Put this mixture in a saucepan with sugar and syrup. Heat gently until sugar dissolves. Add vanilla. This can be reheated in microwave if necessary.

4 bananas

vanilla ice cream

1/4 pint cream

chopped nuts (optional)

Split bananas in half and sandwich together with ice cream.

Pipe cream around and over bananas. Sprinkle with nuts or grated chocolate.

Serve with hot fudge sauce.



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£400 for UDP Nursery School*

14 June 2011

“I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH” *from Billy Adair*

If you wake up one morning with a fit of “the blues” and feeling really low, then on that occasion avoid the book of Job!

This book belongs to the group of writings known as wisdom literature – it is really a long poem probing the very meaning of life, where injustice and suffering prevail for no apparent reason, and Job’s conflict is with God Himself.

Job was a man of blameless and upright life, yet he was subject to the most degrading deprivation and tremendous suffering – “why?” he asks again and again, a question largely unanswered.

But in chapter 19 we come across some extraordinary verses, “For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth : and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God : whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. (v 25-27)

These verses were included in the Book of Common Prayer as an introduction to the Burial Service, and have been immortalized by Handel when he set them as a soprano solo in “Messiah”. They also were the inspiration for Samuel Medley (1738-1799) when he wrote the hymn “I know that my Redeemer lives” (270)

Samuel Medley, the son of a schoolmaster, joined the Royal Navy and was involved in a battle with the French fleet off Port Lagos in 1759. In this skirmish he was severely wounded and had to retire from active service. A sermon by Isaac Watts led to his sudden conversion: he became a Baptist pastor and ministered first at Watford, then for over twenty-seven years in Liverpool where his preaching attracted large congregations. He wrote a number of hymns, one of the best-known being “I know that my Redeemer lives”, which originally had nine verses, but like most hymnals Church Hymnal 5 has settled on verses 1,3,8 & 9 of the original.

v1 I know that my Redeemer lives--
what joy the blessed assurance gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everlasting head.

This tightly constructed hymn begins with an assuring statement, even more positive than Job's, for the resurrection has actually happened, and we know that Christ is alive in the world, and in the lives of those who have accepted Him.

v2 He lives, to bless me with His love;
he lives, to plead for me above;
He lives, my hungry soul to feed,
He lives, to help in time of need.

The constant repetition of the words "He lives" gives strength and point to this hymn – it is all about His living presence and the consequence of His presence: He loves, and blesses, and pleads, and feeds and helps. And all these we constantly need.

v3 He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there.

In the Genesis Creation story God made Adam (man) in His own image and breathed into him, and man became a living soul. Here Medley is reminding us of something we often take for granted, that every breath we take is a God-given breath – a sobering thought! He also reminds us that when our breath stops, our life will continue in one of those resting places prepared for us by Himself. And He will be there to greet us and to say "welcome home".

v4 He lives, all glory to His name;
He lives, my Saviour, still the same;
What joy the blessed assurance gives,
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Here we have a doxology giving all the glory to the Saviour, the same yesterday and today and for ever, and who lives. “You ask me how I know He lives, He lives within my heart”, as another hymn puts it.

The last two lines are as the first two lines in verse one, but in reverse order, which helps to make this a well constructed hymn, inspired by words written possibly as early as the 6th century B.C.

Incidentally, like all good stories the book of Job ends on a joyful note, “and they all lived happily ever after”.



Bishop Harold Miller with Reverend Lynne Gibson and Reverend Jack Kinkead at their Ordination Service in St Finnian's Parish on Sunday 5 June.



Area Deanery Confirmation Service held in St Donard's Parish Church on Sunday 29 May.

CMS NEWS

The first half of 2011 has seen a number of people engaging in Short-Term, Experience Placements (STEPS) with CMS Ireland. STEP programmes help to provide valuable input to the work of Global Partners, with volunteers offering their skills and at least two months of their time to support a project or provide training. But STEPS aren't just about offering work support. They are an expression of the partnership between the Church in Ireland and our Global Partners. They help to develop and deepen relationships and have a huge impact on the lives of those who take part.

Since the end of April, Kirsten Brown and Emma Dunwoody have been working with the Urban Development Programme in some Nairobi slums and the following extracts from their blogs will be of interest to supporters at St Mark's.

From Kirsten.... "When we arrived we met Louise and her husband at the airport and drove back to their house. Over the past two weeks Louise and her family have made us feel so welcome and at home in their house and we have had a great time so far getting to know her family and playing with the baby twins Sam and Tim. The day after we arrived Louise brought us all to All Saints' Cathedral where the UDP office is based. We got to meet the people who worked around the cathedral all of whom are so lovely and welcoming! We've been in the office a lot since then getting to know more about UDP and the work that it does. Yesterday, Monday, we went to Kayole for the first time - one of the areas the UDP works in. We went to the nursery/primary school and secondary school that we will be spending time in getting to see the pupils we will be spending time with over the next four weeks....Since my last blog we have been out in Kayole a lot more, mainly in Tujisaide primary school which I absolutely adore!During one of the days at primary school we also got to measure the children's feet for their new shoes that they will be getting courtesy of the UDP. The kids are a delight to be around...."

Emma says "Jambo from Kenya ... It took a few days to get in the way of things. Not being much of a city girl, finding myself in a place as busy as Nairobi was a bit of a change of scene! Nairobi traffic in particular is very fast and chaotic most of the time. "The Jam" as the bad traffic is known, was particularly bad last week when there were fuel shortages in Kenya, complete chaos surrounded every fuel station we passed. Thankfully now the problems seem to be easing. To get in and out of the cathedral every day we use public transport in the form of matatus. Using them is an experience in itself. We are living with Louise who has worked with UDP for over 20 years. It is fun to be part of a Kenyan family and to see how they live. Probably the biggest difference is diet. We eat a lot of rice, vegetables and fruit as well as the traditional food of ugali made from maize meal ... We hope to spend Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays in Kayole and I enjoyed seeing the place we've heard so much about and where the UDP does such good work. I think the children enjoy seeing us too as choruses of "how are you?" followed us around all day. We are beginning to know our way around Nairobi city centre as well....we bought ingredients to cook dinner for the family that evening - spaghetti bolognese and some fifteens which seemed to go down very well."

CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everyone who baked, served and helped at the Christian Aid coffee morning held this year in the Rectory on Saturday 22 May. A total of £1115 was raised by the parish for Christian Aid, an increase on last year's door-to-door collection.



THE ARCHIVE PAGE – 1968

PAPERBACK NEW TESTAMENT SUCCESS

A British version of the best-selling paperback New Testament titled "Today's English Version" (TEV) is now on sale in railway and airport bookstalls, in tobacconists, general stores, and supermarkets throughout Great Britain.

Collins Publishers has issued the New Testament as one of its Fontana Religious Books selling at the bargain price of five shillings. Associated in the venture are the British and Foreign Bible Society and the National Bible Society of Scotland.

Title of the British version is "**Good News for Modern Man.**"

In the year after it was published, by the American Bible Society the colloquial translation sold a record nine million copies. Original estimates of a one million sale were thought to be optimistic. But to everyone's surprise it caught on with college students, professionals and other educated Americans.

"It is a really modern translation - that has been acclaimed by all denominations," stated Mrs. Priscilla Collins, wife of the chairman of Collins Publishers. "There is no 'back-slapping' slang, nothing that jars. But it is far more colloquial than the New English Bible."

The text was derived from the original Greek under the editorship of Dr. Robert G. Bratcher.

ST MARK'S PLAYERS



Interested in drama?

St Mark's Players are recommencing on Wednesday 21 September at 8.00pm in the Upstairs Room of the Heyn Hall.

For further information and to register your interest please telephone Eileen on 02890 292830.

STRANDTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

ADVANCE NOTICE.

You might have noticed the building project that has been proceeding over recent months at Strandtown Baptist Church (SBC) on the Belmont Road.

The congregation at SBC has undertaken the erection of a new Church Hall which is due for completion next month.

To celebrate the completion of the project, the new building will be officially opened on 28, 29 and 30 of July. The members at SBC are inviting friends and neighbours to join us informally for a coffee in the new hall. The occasion of the opening of the new facility will give an opportunity to share something of our local history and heritage and of course our local heritage includes the, now world famous author C S Lewis. As part of the opening celebration, SBC will have various displays on show in the new building, including a display on the life and work of C S Lewis. Sandy Smith, a member of SBC will be giving a series of short (15 minute), informal talks on Lewis and his family links with the area. These talks will be repeated across the hours of opening on all three days of the events to mark the opening of the new hall. Visitors can join the talks if they wish or simply view the exhibitions.

An invitation is extended to the congregation at St Mark's to join with us on any of the times listed below. The building will be open to the local community on:

Thursday 28 July, 10: 00 am – 12:00 and again at 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Friday 29 July 10: 00 am – 12:00 and again at 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Saturday 30 July 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

You are invited to join us for what ever length of time you have available. Visitors can arrive and leave when convenient. Tea and coffee will be available across the opening times.

We look forward to welcoming you to Strandtown Baptist Church.

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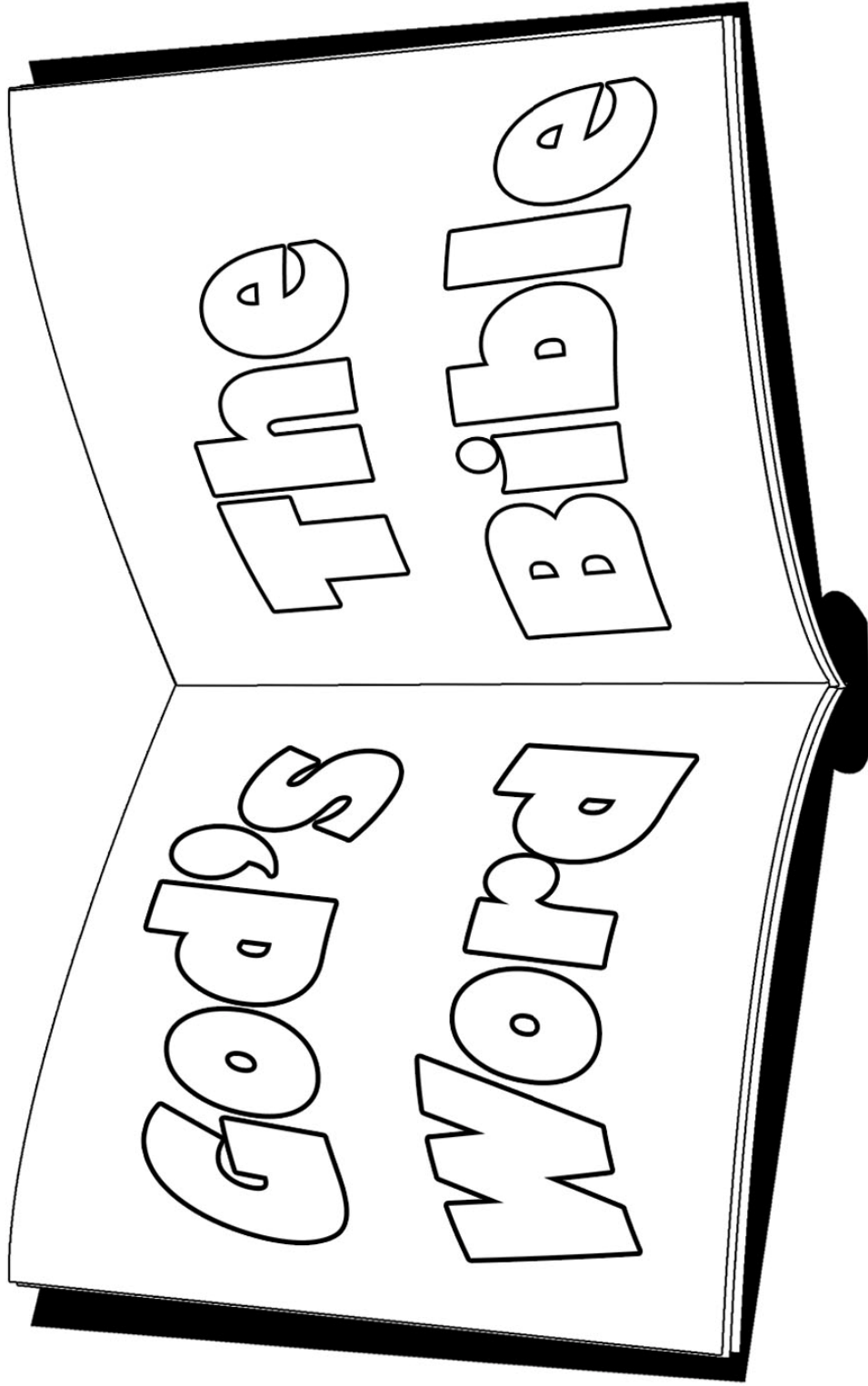


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PARISH ORGANISATIONS & REPRESENTATIVES

(in alphabetical order)

Alpha Bible Group	1st Tuesday, 8.00pm	Mrs Hannah Nelson, T: 9065 1916
Bell Ringers	Monday 7.30 - 900pm	Mr John Emerson, T: 9076 1221
Bible Fellowship	Wednesday (except 3rd), 8.15pm	The Revd John McDowell, T: 9065 9047
Boys' Brigade	Friday 6.30 - 8.00pm	Mr Harry Whiteside, T: 9029 5908
<i>Junior Section (age 8 - 11)</i>		
<i>Anchor Boys (age 5 - 7)</i>		
Brownies (ages 7 - 10)	Monday 6.30 - 8.00pm	Mrs Louise Orchin, T: 9067 1717
Choir	Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm	Miss Heather McKaig, T: 9047 2319
Christian Aid		Mr Peter Hunter, T: 9042 2048
Church Missionary Society		Mrs Yvonne McMaster, T: 90422836
Church of Ireland Gazette		Miss June Moore T: 9065 7051
Cradle Roll		Mr Peter Moore, 10 Hopedene Mews T: 9067 3216
Creative Stitching Group	2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7.30pm	Mrs Pat Thompson, T: 9087 6634
Evergreens Club	2nd Wednesday, 2.30 - 4.00pm	Mrs Lynn Wilson, T: 9065145
Flower Guild		Mrs Joan Eakin, T: 9076 8109 and
Guides	Monday, 6.30 - 8.00pm	Mrs Lorna Symmons, T: 9065 2777
Healer Prayer Group	Wednesday, 7.30 - 8.00pm	Mrs Lesley Donaldson, 4 The Cairns, T: 9065 4866
Ladies Guild	2nd Monday 7.45pm	Miss Lois Kennedy, Parish Office T: 90654090
Men's Group	Monthly 8.00pm as arranged	Secretary: Mrs Margaret Parrock, T: 9076 8524
Mothers' Union	3rd Wednesday 8.00pm	Secretary: Mrs Geraldine Whiteside, T: 9029 5908
Mums and Chums	Wednesday 10.15 - 11.45am	Revd John McDowell, T: 9065 9047
<i>(Parents and toddlers group)</i>		Enrolling Member: Mrs Mary Harland T: 9087 3649
Rainbows (ages 4 ½ - 7)	Monday 5.15 - 6.15pm	Mrs Mary McDowell, T: 9065 9047
Sanctuary Guild		Mrs Heather Ellison, T: 9065 9278
St Mark's Players (Drama)		Mrs Mary Harland, T: 9087 3649
		Mrs Jackie Parrock, T: 9076 8210
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
<i>Meets each Sunday except 1st Sunday from 10.30 until 11.30am.</i>		
<i>Children are collected from Heyn Hall after the Morning Service.</i>		
Kindergarten (ages 3 ½ - 7)		
Seniors (ages 8 and over)		
		Mrs Hannah Nelson, T: 9065 1916
		Mrs Ada Long, T: 9065 6117
THE WARDROBE YOUTH ROOM		
Youth Fellowship	Sunday 8.00 - 9.30pm	Mr Harry Whiteside, T: 9029 5908
(age 11-18)		

CHURCH SERVICES IN ST MARK'S

SUNDAYS

8.30am	Holy Communion (every Sunday)
10.30am	Family Service (1st Sunday)
	Parish Communion (3rd Sunday)
	Morning Prayer (2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)
6.30pm	Holy Communion & Ministry of Healing (1st Sunday)
	Compline (2nd Sunday)
	Evensong (3rd Sunday)
	Compline (4th Sunday)
	Choral Eucharist (5th Sunday)
	Praise Service (as announced)

WEEKDAYS

8.30am	Morning Prayer (Mon-Fri)
5.30pm	Evening Prayer (Mon-Fri)
11.00am	Holy Communion (Wednesday)
7.30pm	Healer Prayer Service (Wednesday)

BY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE CLERGY

Holy Baptism * Holy Matrimony *
 Visitation of the Sick at Home/in Hospital *
 Communion for the sick * Spiritual Direction *
 Christian Burial