



THE



MESSENGER

Magheralin Parish

**FRUITFUL &
GIFTED**

**NEW
TEACHING
SERIES
MORNINGS
AND EVENINGS**

SEPTEMBER 2018

SIMON SAYS



Hello family!

I hope our focus on discipleship has been helpful. It's so important to 'make a decision to follow Christ', but that decision is the beginning not the end. I read this yesterday and thought it was glorious!

"If the (solitary) goal is getting our souls to heaven, then every part of the Christian life is secondary. Discipleship becomes optional..."

Aaron Niequist

Discipleship isn't optional - it's central. And it is about being with Jesus (worship), like Jesus (Christ-like character formation) and doing the things he did (mission)! But look at that list and ask yourself a big question - *how?* Jesus is in Heaven seated at the right hand of the Father - so being with Him here on earth means experiencing and adoring the Holy Spirit. How do we become like Jesus? We grow in the Fruit of the Spirit. How do we do the things that Jesus did? We are guided, gifted, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Do you see a theme here?

When we don't grow as disciples, people say "I must be missing something!" but I would humbly suggest we might be missing *someone!* Not that any believer lacks the Holy Spirit because Ephesians 1:13-14 clearly tells us that His presence marked us when we began following Jesus, but I believe many believers and churches lack the fullness of experience mentioned in Ephesians 1:17:

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better."

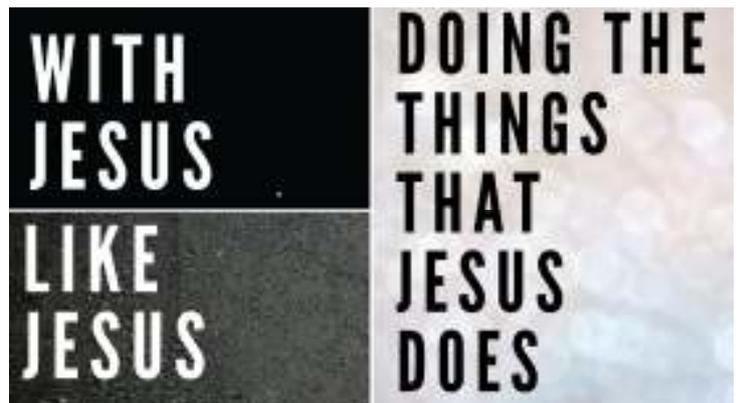
So for the next few months, we will be becoming more acquainted with the person of the Holy Spirit through teaching and prayer. Myself, Carlton and Emma intend to do this in a few different ways:

- Morning teaching - Looking at the Gifts of the Spirit.
- Prayer times @ 5pm in Magheralin.
- Evening teaching - Looking at the Fruit of the Spirit.
- 5 Wednesday nights - the Network Discovering your Gifts Course.

We are so excited to explore all of this together and we hope you are too!

Bless you and keep striving to follow Him,

Simon



The Network Course – it's a gift!

For the past year the parish has been immersed in teaching and preaching aimed at growing discipleship.

You have been encouraged to 'Be with Jesus, Be like Jesus and Do the things that Jesus did'.

Discipleship is key. The great commission was about going into the world and making disciples of all nations NOT just winning people for Christ.

Disciples do stuff. Having been informed by the Gospel and transformed by it into a new creation they then DO as Jesus did. Those in Christ are under the discipline of Christ and ergo are DISCIPLES of Jesus Christ.

But the action is vital which is why James is so decidedly blunt when he tells us that faith without action is dead!

Yet when we were transformed by the power of the Gospel and the Holy Spirit thereafter dwelled within us (your body really is a temple) we at one and the same time received the gifts and fruits of the Spirit. BUT... do you know what gifts you were given?

The Network Course, which will run for five weeks as part of the Wednesday Bible Study, sets out to help you understand which gifts you have been given and how to use them!

This is a vital course and for followers of Jesus Christ and for the work of the Holy Spirit in our parish. Simon and I would like to see as many people as possible attend this course over the five weeks it will run. It's not just for those who normally come to the Wednesday Bible Study. It's for the whole parish.

The course is interactive in the sense that you engage with material through a booklet, presentations and video. You even get to ask your friends about yourself. It gently and lovingly helps you explore the gifts you have received and how to use them. You will be both surprised and affirmed by what Christ helps you discover about His purpose for you.

The course kicks off on September 19 at 7.45pm in the Minor Hall in Magheralin. Come and see what Christ is doing for you.

Ready for the kick-off?

The football season may have started and the transfer window is closed but a NEW SEASON in church kicks off on September 2 and it's got nothing to do with sport!

The summer, and what a summer, is done and the church's focus is where it has always been – on Jesus Christ – but with an invigorated intensity.

So on September 2 come along to church in Dollingstown for 8.45am and have a bacon butties before the service and come along at 11am to Magheralin and have cake before worship.

We are going to lay out for you a full season of activity and where our teaching and preaching will be rooted in the coming months.

All of it is consistent with increased discipleship and mission. We still want you to be WITH JESUS, BE LIKE JESUS and DO THE THINGS JESUS DID.

The church is on the march. Let's get in step.

Come and join us on September 2.



HARVEST 2018

Harvest is always an incredible date in our church calendar when we look back thanking God for his goodness and provision (Psalm 145:16), but also look forward at the challenge to reach out to the world with the Good News (John 4:35). Just like the farmer expects growth in his crop, the Lord expects us to grow in thankfulness and in passion for the mission.

Myself and the staff are excited to encourage you to be focussed on these things from the 21st to the 28th of October. Here's the plan...

On the 21st in both churches, we will begin by thinking about thankfulness in our JAM and Click services. On the 21st evening we will be worshipping in Magheralin at 6.30pm with special guest speaker Rev Graham Hare sharing on the first half of Psalm 126.

We want to then kick off our "Week Without" when myself and Carlton (and whoever else we can convince) will begin eating for £1 a day a person, in solidarity with the poor in our world today. We would love to encourage you, if not able to do this, to give up something and contribute the savings to CAP (Christians Against Poverty). Could you give up your coffee shop visit for a week, or your takeaway hit, and share with the poor?

On the 28th morning in both churches, we are delighted to welcome Chris Cupples (Regional Director of CAP Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales) to share with us. Should be a great morning! Then in the evening at 6.30pm we will be worshipping in St Saviour's with special guest speaker Rev Geoff Hamilton (Titch) sharing on the second half of Psalm 126.

Please fully engage with Harvest in a way that sees you grow and blesses our community,

Simon



SENIOR MOVIE NIGHTS RETURN!



Great news! The Senior Movie Nights return to Dollingstown on Tuesday 18th September with the screening "State Fair".

State Fair follows the Frake family's journey from their farm to the three-day 1946 Iowa State Fair. Ma and Pop are intent on winning prizes for their accomplishments in pig raising and mincemeat cooking, while their children Margy and Wayne have romantic adventures ahead of them.



The Good News Club resumes on Monday 24th September at 6.30-7.30pm in the Lounge, St Saviour's church, Dollingstown. If your child(ren) are aged from 4-11 they would be most welcome to come and join us with Bible stories, singing, quizzes, games and lots of fun.

Contact:

Mrs. Ruth Porter (028 3832 9064) should you have any further questions.

News Flash!



Wow! On Saturday 13 October we're having another Messy Harvest. Please note your diaries. Messy Harvest is an opportunity for all the families in the parish to have great fun as we think about harvest time and learn more about Jesus.

Please listen out over the next few weeks and keep an eye to the October Messenger for all the details!

JOIN US FOR

Messy Harvest

Saturday 13th October 2018



Magheralin Parish Church Halls

2.00pm - 4.30pm

**Enjoy lots of activities, fun and
food as we celebrate Harvest.**

Everyone Welcome

Children must be accompanied by an adult



'LETS GO' HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB 2018



What a week we had at Holiday Bible Club this year! The week was full of lots of fun games, songs, quizzes, dramas and bible teaching (as well as the odd visit from Captain America). We watched as children from across both our villages engaged with leaders, other children and most importantly God, loving every minute spent having fun and growing in His presence. The theme of our Holiday Bible Club was all based around the all time kids classic 'Lego'. We spent each evening using a variety of scenes from the Lego movie to discuss different aspects of Christianity including, what it means to be a Christian and what Jesus has done for us, how to follow Gods commands and being part of the body of Christ. Not only were kids able to enjoy the action all week but on Friday we welcomed parents and siblings of those attending Holiday Bible Club to a family BBQ. Simon shared a powerful message with the families about Jesus and His love filling the missing piece in our heart, linking the gospel to our theme of Lego for the week. There was plenty of laughter, lots of joy and a copious amount of burgers and hot dogs consumed.

One of the highlights of Holiday Bible Club was seeing so many children engage in worship and sing their hearts out as they proclaimed life changing truths like God is a good good father who loves us and that He is their peace in troubled times. Another highlight mentioned by many leaders was the sense of community amongst the team who ran Holiday Bible Club. The week wouldn't have been possible without their vision, passion and hard work. Our bible verse for the week was taken from Ephesians 2:10 which says, ***'For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do'***.

It was fantastic to see people of all ages and backgrounds from our parish work together to do His good work of discipling children and seeing them become who they were called be in God. Many friendships were forged and we pray as we start into a new year that we carry the same unity into all we do as a church.



KINGDOM WOMEN

Saturday 29th Sept – St Saviour's Dollingstown



A morning of worship, Bible teaching and ministry for women. We are really pleased to have Charlotte Curran and Glynis Matchett joining us, and worship led by Zara Monteith.

Tickets £10 (*price includes tea/coffee and scones on arrival and a brunch*) - booking up fast so either get a ticket from church, or book online via the link on the church website/new wine website/facebook.

SCHEDULE:

Doors open - 8.45 am
Event starts - 9.15 am
Brunch - 10.30 am
Finishes - 1.00 pm



NEW GRAVEYARD REGULATIONS

The Parish Graveyard Regulations and Charges have been revised effective from 23 July 2018. They are reproduced here for information. They can also be viewed on the Parish Website www.magheralin.org



It is not often that a Choir Master provides a quote for inclusion in the Choir Notes. On this occasion, however, Gareth has requested that all members be alerted to the resumption of choir practice on Wednesday 5th September at 7.30 pm to “get back to the basics of singing in harmony”.

Undoubtedly, the tenors will be in the cross hairs over the coming weeks as an attempt is made to educate them to the rich rewards of singing the tenor line. Likewise the altos, whose attention to harmony was once impeccable but, in recent months, have become rather indolent, will be put on the spot. Certain elements of the bass line might also have to be singled out for special tutelage to add greater depth and richness to our sound.

Gareth looks forward to seeing everyone on 5th September . . .

Ken

CAP MONEY COURSE



Then Cap Money Course is designed for **YOU** – **NO MATTER WHAT YOUR CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION MAY BE.**

Interested?

Please join us at:-

**1 Old Forge
Magheralin
BT67 0RS**

**On Monday 24th September
& Monday 1st October 2018
7.15pm – 9.00pm**

To register your place on the course, or for further information please contact:-
Ruth Waddell 07711 828 965 or contact www.capmoneycourse.org



1st MARALIN BOYS BRIGADE



A new calendar season for all our church organisations is almost upon us. Every year is a new challenge, keeping everything running as smoothly as possible, coming up with new challenges for the boys, encouraging them to participate in as many events as possible, and working towards the Advancement of Christ's Kingdom amongst boys in our Parish.

This year however is slightly different, as I will be stepping down as Captain of 1st Maralin BB, this will take place at our Enrolment service in November; I have thoroughly enjoyed my nine years as Captain and would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone, boys, parents, officers, parishioners, parish staff and clergy for their encouragement and prayerful support. Above all I would like to thank my family for their encouragement and support, even when it seemed as though I was at BB events more than I was at home.

When our new Captain takes over, I will support them and continue as a BB officer within Maralin BB. I will also be taking on a new role, as I have recently been elected Lurgan Battalion President.

Our Company has grown from strength to strength over the years and we don't want to turn boys away, we must though adhere to Child Protection and ratios at all times. So if you would be interested in joining us as an officer please contact me on the number below.

To last year's boys we look forward to seeing you all back to 1st Maralin Boys Brigade this year, and to our new boys a very warm welcome.

1st Maralin Boys Brigade's first night this year will be on Thursday 13th September in Magheralin Parish Hall for all sections.

ANCHOR BOYS	-	6.30 pm – 7.30 pm
JUNIOR SECTION	-	6.30 pm – 8.00 pm
COMPANY SECTION	-	7.30 pm – 10.00 pm

We look forward to seeing all boys and parents on 13th September and hope you all had a peaceful and restful summer.

For any further information please contact me on 028 9261 2884

Yours in BB

Martin Wooster (Company Captain)



THE BOY'S BRIGADE OBJECT: -

***The Advancement of Christ's Kingdom amongst boys
and the Promotion of habits of
obedience, reverence, discipline, self respect
and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness.***

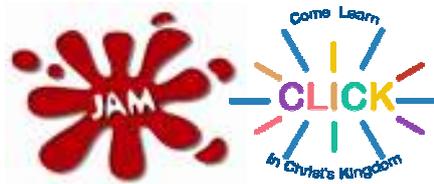


KIDSCURCH DOLLINGSTOWN

For anyone who hasn't been before Kidschurch is for children aged 3yrs to the end of P6. We start off in the church service and then after about 15 mins move into the hall at the back of the church where we continue with our programme.

We begin this year on Sunday 9th September when we will introduce our theme The Fruit of the Spirit. As we look at bible stories, play games, sing songs and make crafts we will hopefully understand what it means to have the fruit of the spirit evident in our lives!

So if you would like to join us please come along on Sept 9th 9.30am St Saviour's Dollingstown



This year our JAM/Click theme Walking with Jesus follows on from last year's theme The Day I met Jesus. We will look at things like walking with Jesus when someone is sick, walking with Jesus when I have questions, walking and talking with Jesus and walking and worshipping with Jesus. These services are planned to be All age and it is such an encouragement to see young and old come together to worship and learn more about God. So please plan to join us on Sept 16th for JAM at 9.30am in Dollingstown or Click at 11.30am in Magheralin.



GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Re-commences on

TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

6.30pm – 8.00pm

MAGHERALIN PARISH CHURCH HALL

Girls welcome from 3 years upwards.

Why not join us and enjoy good friendship and fun as well as learning new skills.

Our varied programme includes:-

**BIBLE STUDY, P.E., CRAFT WORK, SINGING, CHORAL SPEAKING,
COOKERY, FLORAL ART and BADGE WORK.**

We look forward to seeing all our existing members as well as welcoming new members.

We would also wish to appeal to any parent, relative, friend or church member who would like to become active in helping GFS. Please speak to any of the leaders, give your name to Ann King in the Church Office or contact Kate.

If you have any queries call or text **Kate – 07591 172 249**



It's the World's Biggest Coffee Morning time again and we will be supporting Macmillan Cancer on:-

Saturday 22nd September 2018
The Lounge,
St Saviour's, Dollingstown from 10.00am to 12.30pm

Please bring your friends and family along to help us raise funds for this very worthwhile cause which provides a support network to so many within our community whilst enjoying a cuppa and some nice treats.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Edith and Nicola



Have you, someone you care for, or someone you know been affected by Cancer?

Please come along to
The Hollow Coffee House
(61b main Street, Waringstown)
@ 7.00pm on the
1st Monday of the month
bi monthly

Our next meeting is on
3rd September

For further information contact Barbara: 07808 705 732

Weavers Cancer Support is
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KIDSCHURCH MAGHERALIN

We hope everyone had an amazing summer and is refreshed and ready to start back to Kids Church on Sunday 9th September. We will be using the jigsaw programme which includes memory verses, Bible stories, crafts and games.

Kids church is for anyone in P1-P7 and we leave during the service at 11.30am to go to the main halls.

We would ask for the prayers of the Parish over our planning and preparation for the year ahead as well as prayers for our young children that they will receive the word of God with open hearts.

Maralin Kids Church Team



MOTHERS' UNION



we extend an invitation to all to hear our speaker Mrs June Butler, the President of the Mothers' Union, who will be speaking at the opening service on the theme of Mothers' Union 'Listening, Absorbing and Acting now and into the Future'.

Everyone Welcome to Magheralin Parish Church on Tuesday 5th September at 8.00pm.

Isabel



LET'S JUST TALK
Thursday 20th September
2.30pm
Minor Hall, Magheralin
EVERYONE WELCOME



PLAYDAYS IS BACK!

Wednesday 12th

St Saviours, Dollingstown
10:30 – 12:00

Thursday 13th

Magheralin Parish Halls
10:30 – 12:00

Playdays is a space for mums, dad, grannies, grand-dads, aunties, uncles and childminders can come and enjoy some company and coffee with their babies and toddlers. There's crafts, toys, stories and snacks for your little one to take part in. Everyone is welcome. We would love for you to join us.



The ladies Friendship Group resumes on **Tuesday 11th September at 2.00pm in the Minor Hall.**

We look forward to seeing all our members again – if you have not been before just come along and you will be made very welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

MAGHERALIN BOWLS CLUB

Resumes on

**Monday 10th September
at 2.00pm
in
MAGHERALIN PARISH
CHURCH HALL**

New Members Welcome



SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday 2 nd September	9.30am - 11.30am - 6.30pm -	Morning Worship Holy Communion Evening Service	- - -	Dollingstown Magheralin Magheralin
Monday 3 rd September	8.00pm -	Prayer Union - Church - Duck Street		Magheralin
Tuesday 4 th September	8.00pm -	Mothers' Union Opening Service	-	Magheralin
Saturday 8 th September	10.00am -	KnitWits Etc	-	Dollingstown
Sunday 9 th September	9.30am - 11.30am - 6.30pm - 8.00pm -	Holy Communion Kids Church Resumes Morning Worship with Holy Baptism Kids Church Resumes Evening Service Engage – Red Door	- - - -	Dollingstown Magheralin Magheralin Magheralin
Monday 10 th September	2.00pm - 8.00pm -	Bowls Club Prayer Union - Church - Duck Street	-	Magheralin Magheralin
Tuesday 11 th September	2.00pm - 6.30pm -	Friendship Group GFS	- -	Magheralin Magheralin
Wednesday 12 th September	10.30am -	Playdays	-	Dollingstown
Thursday 13 th September	10.30am - 6.30pm -	Playdays BB	- -	Magheralin Magheralin
Sunday 16 th September	9.30am - 11.30am - 6.30pm - 2.00pm - 8.00pm -	JAM All Age Worship CLICK All Age Worship Evening Service Bowls Club Engage – Red Door	- - - - -	Dollingstown Magheralin Magheralin Magheralin Magheralin
Monday 17 th September	2.00pm - 8.00pm -	Bowls Club Prayer Union - Church - Duck Street	-	Magheralin Magheralin
Tuesday 18 th September	2.00pm - 6.30pm -	Friendship Group GFS	- -	Magheralin Magheralin
Wednesday 19 th September	10.30am - 7.45pm -	Playdays Bible Study Fellowship - The Network Course	- -	Dollingstown Magheralin
Thursday 20 th September	10.30am - 6.30pm -	Playdays BB	- -	Magheralin Magheralin
Saturday 22 nd September	10.00am -	Macmillan Coffee Morning	-	Dollingstown

Sunday 23 rd September	8.30am -	Holy Communion	-	Magheralin
	9.30am -	Morning Worship	-	Dollingstown
	11.30am -	Morning Worship	-	Magheralin
	6.30pm -	Evening Service	-	Magheralin
	8.00pm -	Café Church	-	Dollingstown
Monday 24 th September	2.00pm -	Bowls Club	-	Magheralin
	6.30pm -	Good News Club	-	Dollingstown
	8.00pm -	Prayer Union - Church - Duck Street		Magheralin
Tuesday 25 th September	2.00pm -	Friendship Group	-	Magheralin
	6.30pm -	GFS	-	Magheralin
Wednesday 26 th September	10.30am -	Playdays	-	Dollingstown
	7.45pm -	Bible Study Fellowship - The Network Course	-	Magheralin
Thursday 27 th September	10.30am -	Playdays	-	Magheralin
	6.30pm -	BB	-	Magheralin
Sunday 30 th September	9.30am -	Morning Worship	-	Dollingstown
	11.30am -	Morning Worship	-	Magheralin
	6.30pm -	Evening Service	-	Magheralin

From the Register

Burials

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"

4th July 2018
19th July 2018
12th August 2018

William Henry Ian Irwin
Gordon Watson
David (Davy) Johnston

Sanctuary Flowers



If you would like to provide Sanctuary flowers,
please contact Caroline Dawson 9261 1596

SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday 2 nd September 2018	-	VACANT
Sunday 9 th September 2018	-	Rodney McCarthy
Sunday 16 th September 2018	-	VACANT
Sunday 23 rd September 2018	-	VACANT
Sunday 30 th September 2018	-	Ann King

OCTOBER 2018

Sunday 7 th October 2018	-	Audrey Henderson
Sunday 14 th October 2018	-	VACANT
Sunday 21 st October 2018	-	HARVEST
Sunday 28 th October 2018	-	HARVEST

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A Ministry of Magheralin Parish

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