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**Magheralin Parish**

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# harvest worship

**20th Oct**

ALL AGE HARVEST - 9.30AM DOLLINGSTOWN  
ALL AGE HARVEST - 11.30AM MAGHERALIN  
6.30PM DOLLINGSTOWN EVENING HARVEST

**27th Oct**

MORNING HARVEST - 9.30AM DOLLINGSTOWN  
MORNING HARVEST - 11.30AM MAGHERALIN  
6.30PM MAGHERALIN EVENING HARVEST

## SPEAKERS



Charlotte Curran  
Speaker and Author



Mark Brown  
Willowfield Parish



Rev Barry Forde  
QUB Chaplain

# OCTOBER 2019

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I love the famous Dale Carnegie rhyme -  
*'Two men looked out from prison bars,  
One saw the mud, the other saw stars.'*

### **It's all about perspective...**

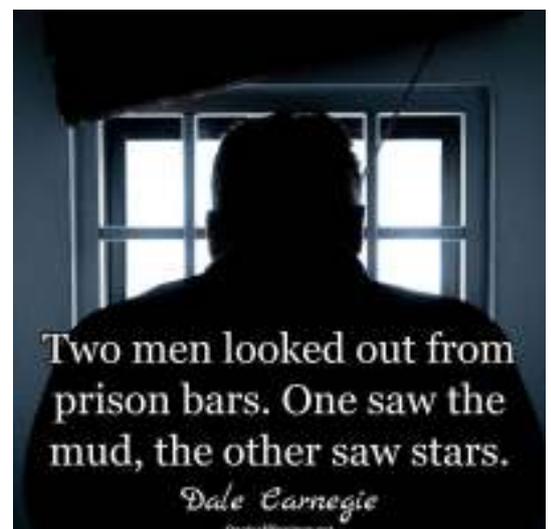
In 2 Timothy 2:9, Paul shows that his eyes are like those of the 2nd prisoner, notice his *desperate* circumstances but *victorious* perspective... "Because I preach this Good News, I am suffering and have been chained like a criminal. **But the word of God cannot be chained.**"

This is why we **need** our minds renewed by the Holy Spirit, our thinking needs to be informed by God's purposes and not swayed by temporary discomfort, frustration or difficulty.

Harvest is a festival in the calendar which we must not lose because it reminds us of how blessed *we are*, and how good *God is*. Harvest worship has the power to save us from our culture of complaining, and deliver us into an attitude of gratitude. So make sure you use our services to say 'thank you' to God for all the good gifts around you that have been sent from heaven above!

Here are 10 suggested reasons to be thankful for 10 things people often complain about - use them to practice gratitude today! 😊

1. Early wakeups - give thanks for children to love / or for your job
2. House to clean - give thanks for a safe place to live
3. Laundry - give thanks for clothes to wear
4. Dishes to wash - give thanks for food to eat
5. Crumbs under the table - give thanks for those with whom you get to share meals
6. Grocery shopping - give thanks for money to provide for us
7. Toilets to clean - give thanks for indoor plumbing
8. Noisy house - the people in our lives
9. Relentlessly repetitive questions - give thanks that your child's brain is growing
10. Sore and tired in bed - give thanks that you're still alive!



# ARE YOU A GOOD IMITATOR?

THE eagle-eyed among you will have noticed that I've not been around for the last three weeks.

And given that you lovingly and jokingly remind Simon and I that we only work one day a week anyway this absence may well have been causing you some consternation.

By the time you're reading this I should be back, so you can relax - but where have I been?

I've been training at the Anglican Leadership Institute in Martha's Vineyard in New England – not the worst place to spend time with brothers and sisters of the worldwide Anglican Communion, learning about each other and how to be better leaders.

And while the leadership training has been incredibly interesting, thoroughly challenging and thought provoking, scrupulously soul-searching and a lot of fun – the establishment of relationships with people from all over the world who share the same faith and passion for the Gospel has been by far the most vital part of the entire experience.

It's easy to fall into the trap of living in a spiritual bubble, believing that our churches in Magheralin and Dollingstown provide us with all we need to know about Jesus. And while Simon and I do our best under the Lord that's not a substitute for you also taking responsibility and learning more for yourself.

We might go to Bishop's Bible Week, come along to the Bangor Worldwide Mission evening or taste Alpha and regular Bible study as a way of extending our spiritual horizons and all that is good, but realising we are not alone in a world which increasingly seems hostile to what we profess and confess is a joyous strength. In our parish we get a glimpse of that through the mission work, which we support and in which we collaborate.

At the Anglican Leadership Institute I've encountered the reality of The Great Commission and am learning, talking, eating and washing dishes with brothers and sisters from around the world; disciples of Jesus Christ who are witnesses not just to the Gospel but to the truthful intent and outcome of that great commission.

When Paul wrote to the Ephesian church about love he told them in chapter five verse one; *'Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.'*

In the past three weeks the love of Christ has been shown to me by a Brazilian, an Australian, a Ugandan, a Tanzanian, a Kenyan, an Ethiopian, a Rwandan and a Californian among many others. They have been imitators of The Lord to me, as I trust all in our parish are being imitators to each other. There has not been a critical word said of anyone, just a slow and steadfast building up (edifying) in the Lord.

For the ill-disciplined in their faith it's easy to throw stones and bring down, and much, much harder for them to construct a dry stone wall and build up. They do not imitate God.

Here, love is being practised daily and loving requires great discipline and humility. So Paul's instruction to show love by being imitators of God is well made.

That same love in Jesus develops an interdependency on each other whether that's the person in the seat next to you in church or someone on the other side of the world

worshipping the same Risen Lord and saying the same Lord's Prayer. (I've recently heard it said in at least five different languages).

Looking out your bedroom window on a dull, dank, dismal Sunday morning, invariably one of the first questions going through your head is should I go to church today or should I just steal an extra hour or so in bed.

You reason that surely God will understand and can obviously see from your Christian witness that you are a faithful person; one missed Sunday won't cause a ripple in the Kingdom of God and there'll be plenty of people in church. Won't there?

And let's face it most of us have done this at one time or another; reasoned reasonably with ourselves about the rightness of our actions and then pulled the duvet up over our heads and gone back to sleep.

But if we are to be imitators of God we will in this moment realise and be reminded that elsewhere in God's amazing world there are brothers and sisters depending on our prayers and our worship and ultimately our expressions of love for them in our lauding of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

So what kind of imitator of God are you? What kind of imitator of God do you want to be? And while you think about that, know this, there are imitators of God in other parts of the world holding you up in prayer before the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Why? Because that's what the Saviour told them to do!

***Blessings,  
Carlton***



Carlton with Bishop Godfrey from Tanzania doing the washing up.



Everyone on the course from all over the world.



# HARVEST THANKSGIVING 2019



Please join us for our Harvest Services in October in Magheralin and Dollingstown! I am so delighted by the fantastic speakers that are coming along to share with us.

Harvest begins on 20th Oct with all-age services in both churches on the theme of "Adoration". On the evening of the 20th at 6.30pm, we will have our service in Dollingstown with Charlotte Curran speaking on the theme of 'Legacy'. Charlotte is a speaker and author of Dearly Beloved, Legacy and Homecoming, as well as Ministry Development Coordinator on staff at Portadown Elim. Those who heard Charlotte speak at Kingdom Women in Dollingstown last year will tell you she is not to be missed!

On 27th Oct, our morning services in both churches will be further celebrations of Harvest and we welcome Mark Brown who is "Lay Pastor" at Willowfield Church of Ireland. Mark is a brilliant and thoughtful communicator and will speak on the "Forgiveness of sins" from Matt 9:1-13. In the evening at 6.30 pm, our Harvest service is in Magheralin with Rev Barry Forde, chaplain of Queens University speaking about "changing your place of influence into a harvest field".

Pray that these services would be a powerful blessing and witness, pray for the speakers and all our amazing musicians as they prepare, and don't forget to invite friends and family to be part of it all!

*Simon*



Food  
Collection

**HARVEST OUTREACH**

You will be aware that through our Kidschurch programmes our children and young people are often encouraged to think of others less fortunate than themselves. At Harvest time they are encouraged to bring gifts to be shared with those in need after our Harvest Thanksgiving has taken place.

Last year our young people contributed items that were then taken along to our local Trussell Trust Foodbank in Lurgan. These items were so gratefully received and helped to make up the food parcels that are distributed to families in need.

The Foodbank is such a well-used service within our community, and whilst it is distressing to think that some families struggle to put food on the table, how wonderful that such a resource as the Foodbank exists to help in such times of need.

This year we wondered whether our whole church family might consider donating non perishable items that we can then donate to our local Foodbank after Harvest Thanksgiving.

Items urgently required by our local foodbank include:-

- **Tinned Fruit (400gms)**
- **Tinned Vegetables (NOT Baked Beans or Tinned Soup)**
- **Tinned Meat**
- **UHT Milk (1 litre)**
- **Tinned Tomatoes**

It would be just wonderful if collectively as a church family we could consider blessing those less fortunate than ourselves by perhaps bringing one or two items to our Harvest Services on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

Thank you so much for your consideration of this.

# HARVEST OFFERING

**Do you know that 100% of the money you put into your Harvest Envelope goes to mission!**

During October your generous giving in these envelopes helps some amazing Christian organisations home and abroad to serve God and build his Kingdom in a variety of ways. This year our 4 main allocated charities are:

**Love for Life** - an independent Christian charity, working to equip young people with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to make good choices when it comes to relationships and sex.

**South American Missionary Society** - SAMS is committed to: working in partnership with churches in UK, Ireland, Iberia, and South America; to resourcing churches and communities through establishing new working models in mission; facilitating training opportunities and we aim to support projects through developing partnerships.

**New Wine Ireland** - New Wine Ireland is a movement of churches working together to change the island of Ireland through a network of church leaders, our summer conference and training events.

**Charlene's Project** - Charlene's Project needs little introduction for many in our parish, working in Uganda, Guatemala and with Syrian refugees in Turkey and Jordan, providing educational opportunities for children and giving hope for a better future.

Please give generously this harvest and make a difference to lives locally and globally for His glory.

*Simon*



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**Saturday  
12<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
@ 10.00am  
St Saviour's  
Dollingstown**



**Thursday  
17<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
@ 2.30pm  
Minor Hall, Magheralin**

Losing someone you loved can turn your world upside down – so come along for tea, coffee, cake and a chat.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

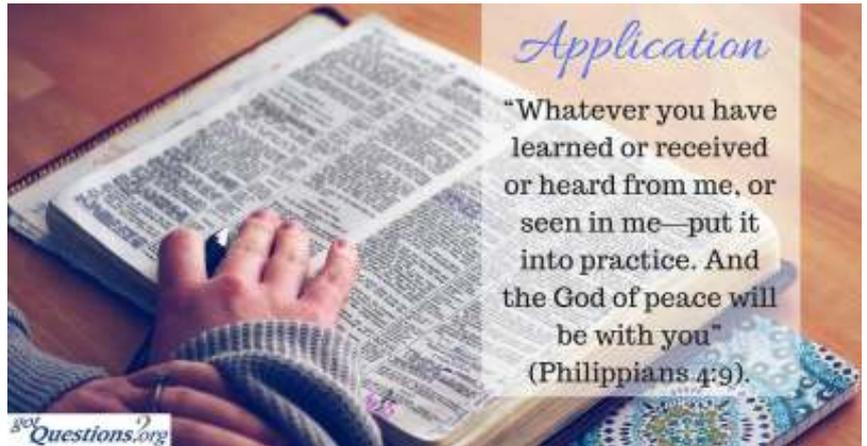
# BIBLE STUDIES RESUMES

Our two Bible Studies are back!

The Wednesday night group now meets in the **church in Magheralin**, 7.45 pm – 9:00 pm and will be studying practices in the Bible that help us to grow deeper and more fruitful.

Friday morning's group meets in the lounge in Dollingstown at 10.30am and will be journeying through John's Gospel.

If you're not in a Home Group, why not join in with these Bible Study times of practice and learning. Another way to grow in being with Jesus, like Jesus, and doing the things He did.



**Simon**



Shine A  
Light

## SHINE A LIGHT

Once a month in our morning services we will "Shine a Light" on one of the various ministries undertaken by members of our church family. We want to celebrate the volunteers that we have and acknowledge the role that they play in the life of our parish. Our aim is to inform you about particular aspects of church life and to provide the opportunity to pray for the volunteers and their work.

Ultimately this is about glorifying God and shining his light through the work that we all do.

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

# DEANS CALL THE DIOCESE TO PRAY FOR A NEW BISHOP

The Deans of Down and Dromore are calling on parishioners from across the diocese to join them for two special nights of prayer for the process of selecting our new bishop.

Bishop Harold will retire on Monday 30 September after over 22 years as Bishop of Down and Dromore, and the Episcopal Electoral College tasked with finding a successor will be meeting in due course.

In a joint statement, the two Deans, the Very Revd Geoff Wilson (Dromore) and the Very Revd Henry Hull (Down) encouraged people to hold the process before God in their prayers:

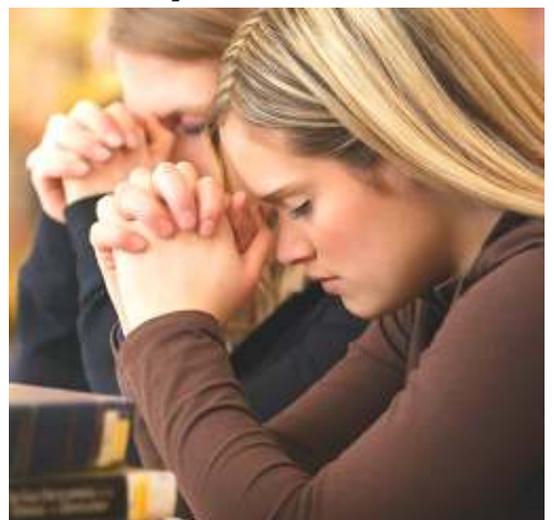
“The task of choosing a new Bishop for our Diocese and for the wider Church is a serious responsibility which will be undertaken by a group of electors from this Diocese and from other Dioceses in the Northern Province of the Church of Ireland. It is extremely important that we each commit to praying for those entrusted with this responsibility, that they will be open to the leading of God’s Holy Spirit as they undertake their task. There will be a night of prayer in each Cathedral during October, but everyone – even those unable to attend either night – is encouraged to pray every day for this process, in order that God’s will should become clear through it.”

The nights of prayer will take place in **Down Cathedral on Friday 4 October** and in **Dromore Cathedral on Friday 25 October**. Both nights will run from **7.30–9.30 pm**.

Prayer cards will also be distributed to every worshipping member of the Church of Ireland across the Diocese in the coming weeks.

## **A Prayer for use during the Vacancy of a See (BCP 2004)**

***O almighty God, who by thy Holy Spirit dost move the hearts of thy people; May it please thee so to direct the counsels of those who are appointed to choose a bishop for this Church and Diocese, that we may be given a pastor who in faithfulness and wisdom shall lead thy flock in the way of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***



# LOOK UP

The life of a Christian is a life of being a new creation. I would never have become a new creation in Christ had someone not shared the good news of Jesus Christ with me. I am ever grateful for my family and local church family for doing this.

I believe all who call themselves a Christian are called to be ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20). To share, to live, to enjoy Christ.

One of the glorious ways we can do this is by passing the faith onto the next generation. You can do this in your family, your neighbourhood and with ones who come to church.

I wanted to devote time this month to asking you, are you involved? Are there ways you'd like to help but don't know how? I am more than happy to call round, have a chat, inform you, pray with you as you want to get involved in passing on the faith to the next generation.

If you love Jesus, you'll be able to help.

'The gospel is only good news if it gets there in time.' *Carl F Henry*

**Richard Lyttle** (Jesus follower) – 07576 556 951



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# LOOK UP

WHO AM I? WHO IS JESUS?

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Magheralin Halls

KIDS (P1 to P7) 6:15-7:45  
CRAFTS | GAMES | PUPPETS

YOUTH (Yr 8 to Yr 14) 8:00-10:00  
STORIES | CAGE FOOTBALL | DONUTS

PRIZE GIVEAWAYS AND MORE TO BE  
ANNOUNCED



# LOVEFORLIFE

inspiring choice

As Love for Life turned 16 we realised that this was a significant milestone, one we wanted to mark and we are delighted that a party has been planned to help us do just that. So much has been planned - party food, chocolate fountain, popcorn, quizzes, games and of course a cake. It will be a great night of fun for all ages.

Following the party, we will split for programmes. Recognising that never before has there been so much pressure on our young people to think and act a certain way when it comes to relationships, image and their online lives. Messages about identity, sexuality, and acceptable lifestyles are implicit, and often explicit, throughout the media and across our schools and communities. So what messages are coming from the church, if any? Perhaps it is easier to just give a blanket answer or else to stay completely silent. Surely not!

Hashtags and Hormones is an exciting opportunity to gather as parents, carers, teachers, youth workers, or just anyone who has contact with children or young people. If you have ever felt overwhelmed or ill-equipped to deal with the 'hot topics' of our time then you will be in good company as we raise awareness about what's happening in the lives of young people, and tackle the tricky conversations around puberty, relationships, and sex. God's heart for relationships is such a good message to share, so let's regain our confidence in this message and renew our commitment to share it!

While this is running there will be 2 sessions for our young people. One for p7-Y9 and the other for Y10-Y14. In both of these interactive programmes our young people will consider the online world and the impact it can have, both positive and negative, on their relationships. Through the activities and presentation we will consider how we can get the most from their online world.



**SWEET SIXTEEN PARTY**

Including  
**#ashtags & #ormones**  
 with Love for Life

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 @ 7pm  
 St. Saviour's Church, Dollingstown



**#ashtags & #ormones**

Session for parents, grandparents, carers, teachers, leaders on how to help our young people navigate relationships and the online world.

Junior and Senior Youth sessions on getting the most of the online world. P7 – Y14 are invited. Friends are welcome to come along too!

# GROUNDING IN CHRIST

by Paul Martin

Years ago I used to work in the city of London, doing a 9 to 5 job in a Bank. I'm not sure how reliable I was at getting there on time in those days, as I would always catch the last possible tube train into Bank station. It was the 1990s and the trains were the grey metal tube ones. They would arrive at the platform every 5 or 10 minutes during rush hour crammed full of people and you'd have to squash in, or be late. I was not into squashing or being early! Anyway, every couple of months those old trains would develop a fault. The train would then pull in to Leytonstone Station and stopping at the platform with a jolt, would let off a loud hissing sound. The driver would then use the com link to address the passengers with those fateful words "ALL CHANGE, ALL CHANGE."

After a load of tuts and groans, we passengers would reluctantly unsquash out of the carriages to stand on the platform knowing that the next train would be carrying a train load of people and our task was to attempt to join them! The prospect did not fill any of us with joy and happiness. Oh the inconvenience of it all!! All we wanted to do was just carry on as normal.

I come from a Baptist background where change, any kind of change was frowned upon; from the colour of the walls to the use of a piano... frown. I'm sure you can imagine the frowns upon seeing the first drum kit in church! I sense that as I get older I'm getting a little more resistant to change too. I remember writing to the director of Tesco after they discontinued my favourite washing up liquid! And don't get me started on the size of Mars bars or the "new and improved" taste of anything! Of course there are more important things that are good as they are. I like that these fair Isles have a strong Christian tradition, that we still observe things like Harvest and Remembrance Sunday in large numbers. The benefits of doing these things are good to pass on to future generations. Yet there are some things that do require change for the door of incredible opportunity to be opened for the next generation to benefit from. The role for us older ones is to identify what new things that God is doing, to pray and facilitate those spearheading change in order to see God's Kingdom expand beyond our time on this earth. The words of the Lord through the prophet Isaiah (43:19) ring out through the ages, "See I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness."

So what is changing? Café Church is changing! Following a great summer, a team of young people began to take on the running of Café Church to begin shaping something new. This is to be church for youth run by youth (overseen by me) where all young people can be involved in every area from worship to serving drinks. Alongside these changes Café Church has a new name: Grounded. The name stands for the spiritual necessity of being grounded in Christ, in His Word and in His Spirit. It also communicates the café element which we'll be developing (and has nothing to do with being told by parents they can't go out tonight!). This is an identity that will grow to incorporate more areas of the youth ministry as it develops.

So a really exciting opportunity where we hope to see young people's speaking gifts, worship leading styles and chances to serve and lead developing. Watch this space, as before long you're likely to see them doing the same things on a Sunday morning too! So change is good where it releases opportunity for the Kingdom of God to expand. Of course we know that change can be uncomfortable and inconvenient, but that is *par for the course* for us mature disciples of Christ, so we'll take it with good grace and see the Lord at work!



# MAGHERALIN PARISH'S FIRST YOUTH MINISTRY INTERN!

If you happen to call into the small office of our lovely Youth Pastor and Outreach Worker, you may notice a new face. My name is Megan and I have had the joy of joining the staff team as the Youth Ministry Intern for the next year.

For around the last five years I've thrown myself into all the youth programmes that were on offer here and have loved nothing more than being a part of everything going on. As the years went on and I became a proud member of the youth within Magheralin Parish I gained a real appreciation for all that the youth workers did for us. When my A level year was starting to come to an end, I realised that youth work may be one of my top choices as a career that I would love to do and be what other youth workers were for me. However, I wasn't completely sure and I didn't want to go away to University until I was a bit more convinced.

So here I am, a few months down the line a month or so into my year out internship, totally in awe of what the job includes and I think it's fair to say I'm very excited for what the next year looks like. Within the last month my days have looked very different from helping wipe marker off someone's face and chatting about a young person's week over a McDonald's to filling the back of my very small Renault Clio with probably too many sugary snacks and drinks for tuckshop.

The last few weeks have been amazing and I am very excited for what God has in store for me this year and so could I ask that you pray for the following:

Pray for Richard and Paul as they spend time out of their week teaching and equipping me to help lead different programmes.

Pray that I will seize any opportunities to evangelise and that I won't be afraid to step out of my comfort zone doing that.

Please also pray that I will be able to encourage and point our young people to Jesus.



Our first CLICK and JAM services of the new season will be on Sunday 20th October. Our theme this season is 'Talking with Jesus'. As well as thinking about prayer our services start the parish harvest celebrations. Please join us to learn and to give thanks for all God's goodness to us.

## ***CLICK & JAM teams***

JAM 9.30am Dollingstown  
CLICK 11.30am Magheralin.



## **MAGHERALIN**

Kids Church is well and truly back after the long summer break. We've started this season learning about creation.

As well as the Bible lesson each week we have a craft activity, sing some songs and of course there's always some fun too.

We are always pleased to welcome new children into Kids Church and so we were delighted to welcome the children who have moved up from Little Lambs. If you have any children of primary school age who do not attend Kids Church we would love to welcome them into our group.

This year we are without Heather who has looked after Kids Church for many years. Heather has been a great leader, she has loved the children and faithfully shared the Good News of Jesus. We really miss her but we wish her well as she continues to serve Him in other areas in the church.

***Kids Church Team.***



## **GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY**



GFS resumed after the summer break on Tuesday, 10th September and it was great to see the girls back again. We would also like to give a really warm welcome to our new girls and hope everyone will have a very enjoyable time at GFS this year.

On 7th September our branch hosted some All Ireland training. Around 45 leaders from three Dioceses joined us in the hall for a time of fellowship and learning, lead by our All Ireland President, Mrs Alison Jackson. It was a great opportunity to share ideas, be encouraged and learn lots. We were also very encouraged to hear that our branch is the biggest in the whole island of Ireland!

To begin the year we hosted the Annual Festival Service on Sunday, 29th September. This service was attended by GFS members from Aghalee, Christ Church Lisburn and Magheralin.

This year we will be taking part in competitions and preparations have already started for these. The girls will be very busy over the next few weeks preparing for our first set of competitions which take place in early December as well as lots of other fun things too!

***Jane & Lara***

## **CAP NEWS**

Towards the end of Summer 2019, CAP Debt Centres all over the UK received news that a decision had been taken at CAP Head Office in Bradford that there would be a pause in relation to taking on any further new clients nationally in order that the Caseworkers in Bradford could continue to provide the expected high levels of service and support ongoing to all of their current clients and frontline staff.

Please be assured that CAP Head Office will be able to offer written information to anyone who calls requesting help during this time, as well as suggesting other agencies who may be able to provide free debt advice at this time of pause.

As a Centre we continue to support 18 families currently. The local Centre will remain busy over the coming months. We plan to provide Christmas Hampers for each family as well as providing a Christmas gift for each family member also. We hope to provide outreach to our families by organising a client event prior to Christmas that we are planning currently. We have always been overwhelmed by the love and support shown to our families by our church family in previous years and pray that we will be able to bless our families again this year with your help.

We are also running a further **CAP Money Course**. This will take place :-

**Dollingstown Lounge**  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
**10am-12midday**

The aim of the Money Course is to provide sound budgeting advice to everyone and everyone- not just those experiencing financial hardship. We all can experience fluctuating finances at many stages of life- starting college or university, getting married, setting up a first home, parenthood, retirement, redundancy- the list is endless.. Please consider joining us as the course contains so much helpful information in relation to organising your finances and managing your money well.



**money:course**

Further information can be obtained by contacting Ruth Waddell at  
**07711 828 965.**

**JOIN US  
FOR**

**Messy  
Harvest**

**FUN**

**ACTIVITIES**

**CRAFTS**

**FOOD**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
Magheralin Parish Church Halls**

**2.00pm - 4.30pm**

**Everyone Welcome**

Children must be accompanied by an adult.



This is the time of year when we look forward to Harvest which is always a special time in the calendar of the Choir and of the parish as a whole. Paul Good, who has been playing the piano on a number of Sundays over the past few months, will be preparing the Choir for the Harvest services this year. Weekly practices will start on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm in the Choir Room.

Many people have voiced their support and encouragement to us over the summer. However, another way of showing your support, is by becoming a member. New members would be very welcome and, if you would like to join our ranks, please don't be afraid to approach any of our existing members for further information or turn up at the first practice for Harvest on 9<sup>th</sup> October.

We would value your prayers as we continue our mission and ministry in the parish and as a new Organist and Choirmaster is sought in the coming months. We are indebted to all those who are on the roster for playing the piano or organ and extend our thanks to them.

### ***Ken***



The GNC have just started their Autumn/Winter programme. In the weeks we have met we will have looked at God - the Great Creator and Sin entering the world. In the future weeks ahead we will be telling the children about How to come to Jesus the King; Walking with God (looking through the eyes of Enoch); How Jesus gives safety through Noah as well as having a visit from Janice Barr who will be giving us an update on the work of Charlene's project. Janice will tell the children how their weekly contributions have been used in Uganda to aid the children in schools etc.

We would welcome any child from nursery age to P7 to come along on a Monday evening, St. Saviours church lounge from 6:30-7:30pm. There will be singing, Bible stories, memory verses, crafts, quizzes, lots of fun as well as meeting new friends and of course juice and biscuits. Come along and find out more.

### **GNC Diary dates**

October: 7th; 14th; 21st; 28th

November: 4th; 18th & 25th

(\* there is NO GNC on 11th due to wedding commitments)

### ***GNC Leaders***



# 1<sup>st</sup> MARALIN BOYS' BRIGADE



So it's that time of the year again and BB started back on 12<sup>th</sup> September. As usual the first night is busy with registration, form filling and dues. We would like to welcome back our boys from last year and say a big welcome to all the boys who are new to us. Numbers are up again this year with close to 90 boys on the books, however the same cannot be said of officer numbers, yes we did get two new officers but we also had the same leave. So once again I would appeal for volunteers, even if you cannot commit to being there every night but could commit to giving some of your time then we would love to hear from you.

Through the later part of August and the early part of September the planning for the annual programmes started to come together and it's another action packed year with scripture programmes, badge work sessions and the Duke of Edinburgh awards Scheme already underway.

This is a special year for us as this is our 25<sup>th</sup> year since the BB was reformed in Magheralin so we have a number of special events planned throughout the year. One such event will see members of the BB, both officers and boys take part in a youth mission night towards the end of October in conjunction with all the other youth organisations associated with Magheralin Parish, we are very excited at the prospect of being involved in this event and being part of the wider youth ministry of the parish.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

|                                |                                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2019  | No BB due to half term             |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 | Remembrance Day service and parade |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 | Enrolment service and parade       |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 | No BB due to Angel Festival        |

*We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.  
In fact this hope reaches behind the curtain and into the most holy place.  
Jesus has gone there ahead of us, and he is our high priest forever.*

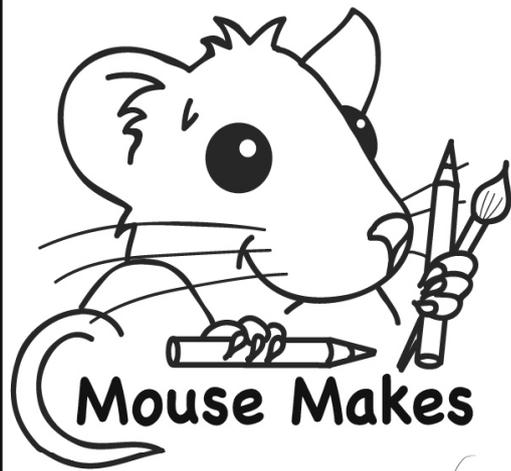
**Hebrews Chapter 6 verses 19-20**

**Harry Lockhart  
(Captain)**



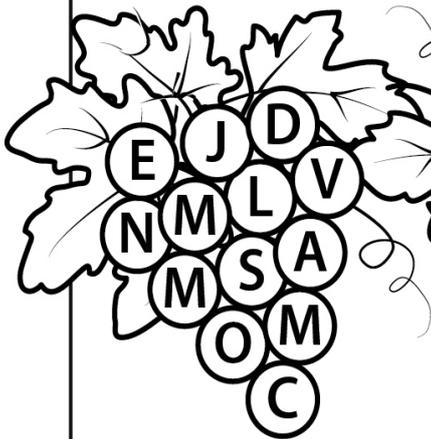
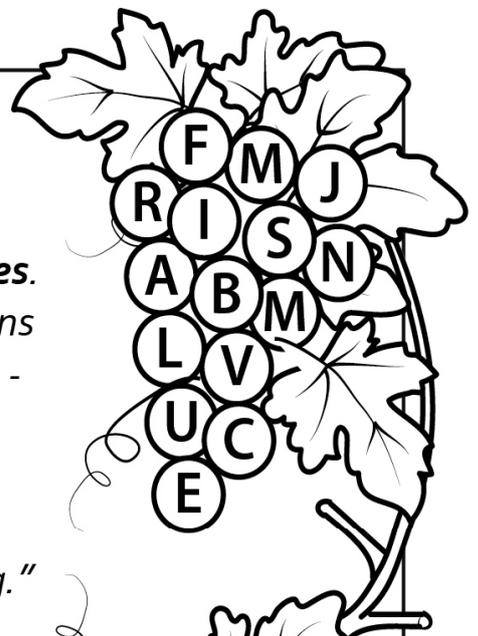
## **THE BOYS' BRIGADE**

***The Advancement of Christ's Kingdom among Boys,  
and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence  
Discipline, Self-Respect and all that leads towards a  
True Christian Manliness.***



THE TRUE VINE  
 Jesus said:  
 "I am the **vine**;  
 you are the **branches**.  
 The one who remains  
 in me -and I in him -  
 bears much **fruit**,  
 because apart  
 from me you can  
 accomplish nothing."

John 15:5



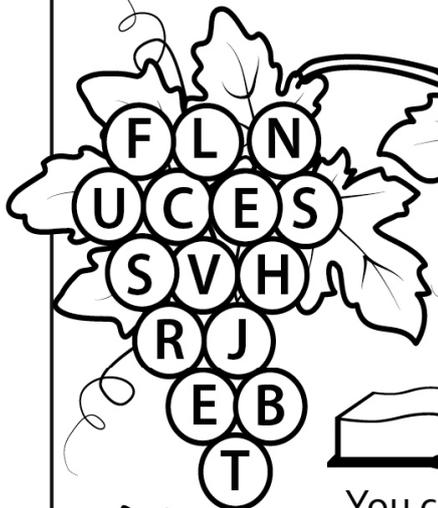
"My **commandment** is this -  
 to love one another just  
 as I have loved you."

John 15:12



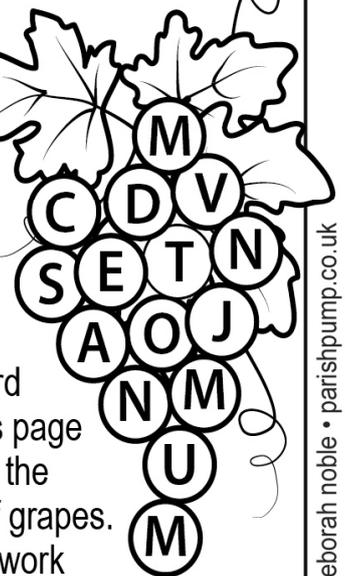
"No one has greater  
**love** than this -  
 that one lays down  
 his life for his friends."

John 15:13



You can read  
 Jesus' teaching on  
 The True Vine in:  
 John 15:1-17

Each of the word  
 in **bold** on this page  
 is hidden in the  
 bunches of grapes.  
 Can you work  
 out which bunch  
 each word is in?



How many other  
 words can you make from:  
 THE TRUE VINE

# THE STORY BEHIND THE HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ART

This well-loved, world famous Christian hymn began in Sweden, moved to Germany and Russia, and thence to England and the USA, where it became world famous as the signature song of George Beverly Shea in the great Billy Graham Crusades.

In about 1887 Carl Boberg was a young lay-pastor in Sweden, walking home from church near Kronoback, Sweden, and listening to the church bells. Suddenly a violent storm blew up, with lightning and thunder and wind – and just as quickly it departed. In the calm following the storm, a rainbow appeared, and all nature was at peace. Boberg was inspired to write a poem, 'O Store Gud', on the greatness of God in Nature. He set it to an old Swedish folk tune, and it was first sung in Varmland in 1888.

'O Store Gud' became popular, and it began to spread. By 1907 it had been taken to Germany by a wealthy Baltic Baptist nobleman. From there it moved to Russia in 1912, where it was called Velikiy Bog – or 'Great God'. By 1925 it had been translated into English 'O Mighty God' by a professor at North Park College in Illinois. But this gave way in 1949 to a different English translation, done by a British missionary to the Ukraine, Stuart K Hine, who called it How Great Thou Art, and rewrote some verses.

It was Hine's version which went on to gain wide popularity in the USA. It was first recorded by a Bill Carle in 1958, and then the Manna Music version of the song was popularised in the 1950s at the Billy Graham Crusades. It was sung in the 1955 Toronto campaign, and then it really took off in 1957 in Madison Square Garden, New York, where Shea sang it 100 times during the campaign.

George Beverly Shea's recording of the hymn has been ranked number 204 on the top recordings of the 20th century. Billy Graham once said: "The reason I like 'How Great Thou Art' is because it glorifies God. It turns Christian's eyes toward God, rather than upon themselves. I use it as often as possible because it is such a God-honouring song.'

How Great Thou Art was voted the United Kingdom's favourite hymn by BBC's Songs of Praise programme, and it was second on the list of the 'favourite hymns of all time' in a 2001 survey by Christianity Today magazine.



# HEAVEN'S MESSENGERS OF LOVE

Do we know them when we see them?  
Heaven's messengers of love?  
Who are there just when we need them,  
Sent to help by God above.  
Those who help us just by staying,  
Those who sit and hold our hand,  
Those who hold us up by praying,  
Those who simply understand.

When the seas of life are storming  
When we're overwhelmed by pain  
We don't notice them transforming  
We don't feel their love sustain.  
When we feel our woes confounding  
When we're stifled by the strain  
We don't see our friends surrounding  
Standing by us in the rain.

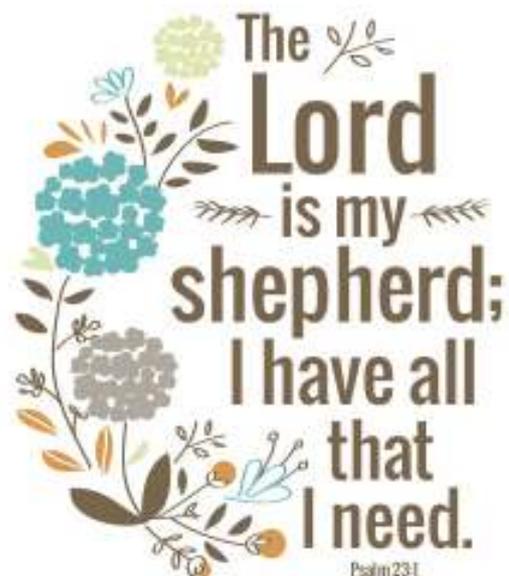
Yet, despite our bitter blindness  
God is there, and always sends  
Human angels, who with kindness  
Are our true and faithful friends,  
Till the time when, sunshine glowing  
Come the rainbow and the dove  
And the after light is showing  
Heaven's messengers of love.

***By Nigel Beeton***

# SUDOKU

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# A HARVEST PRAYER

God of the heavens and the earth,  
You call us to share in the care of your creation  
and to bring food and fruitfulness from field and farm.  
Hear our prayer for all who make their living on the land  
and make us grateful for the work of their hands  
and for the generosity of your provision.  
We ask this in the name of Christ. ***Amen***





# OCTOBER 2019



|                                   |   |   |                  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|------------------|--|
| Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October   | 2.00pm -<br>8.00pm -<br>6.30pm -              | Friendship Group<br>Mothers' Union<br>GFS   | -<br>-<br>-      | Magheralin<br>Dollingstown<br>Magheralin                 |
| Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October | 10.30am -<br>7.45pm -<br>8.00pm -             | Playdays<br>Bible Study – Duck Street<br>Red Door   | -<br>-<br>-      | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin<br>Dollingstown               |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October  | 10.30am -<br>6.30pm -                         | Playdays<br>BB  | -<br>-           | Magheralin<br>Magheralin                                 |
| Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October    | 10.30am -<br>8.00pm -                         | Bible Study – The Lounge<br>Red Door  | -<br>-           | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin                               |
| Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> October    | 9.30am -<br>11.30am -<br>6.30pm -<br>8.00pm - | Morning Worship<br>Holy Communion<br>Evening Service<br>Engage – Red Door                 | -<br>-<br>-<br>- | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin<br>Magheralin<br>Magheralin   |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October    | 2.00pm -<br>6.30pm -<br>7.30pm -<br>8.00pm -  | Bowls Club<br>Good News Club<br>Safeguarding Trust Training<br>Prayer Union – Duck Street | -<br>-<br>-<br>- | Magheralin<br>Dollingstown<br>Dollingstown<br>Magheralin |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October   | 2.00pm -<br>6.30pm -                          | Friendship Group<br>GFS   | -<br>-           | Magheralin<br>Magheralin                                 |
| Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October | 10.30am -<br>7.45pm -<br>8.00pm -             | Playdays<br>Bible Study – Duck Street<br>Red Door   | -<br>-<br>-      | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin<br>Dollingstown               |
| Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October | 10.30am -<br>6.30pm -                         | Playdays<br>BB  | -<br>-           | Magheralin<br>Magheralin                                 |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October   | 10.30am -<br>8.00pm -                         | Bible Study – The Lounge<br>Red Door  | -<br>-           | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin                               |
| Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> October | 2-4.00pm                                      | Messy Harvest   | -                | Magheralin   |
| Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October   | 9.30am -<br>11.30am -<br>6.30pm -<br>8.00pm - | Holy Communion<br>Morning Worship<br>Evening Service<br>Grounded                          | -<br>-<br>-<br>- | Dollingstown<br>Magheralin<br>Magheralin<br>Dollingstown |
| Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October   | 2.00pm -<br>6.30pm -<br>8.00pm -              | Bowls Club<br>Good News Club<br>Prayer Union – Duck Street                                | -<br>-<br>-      | Magheralin<br>Dollingstown<br>Magheralin                 |
| Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October  | 2.00pm -<br>6.30pm -                          | Friendship Group<br>GFS   | -<br>-           | Magheralin<br>Magheralin                                 |

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| Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October | 10.30am -   | Playdays                   | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 12.30pm -   | Seniors' Community Lunch   | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 7.45pm -    | Bible Study – Duck Street  | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Red Door                   | - | Dollingstown |
| Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October  | 10.30am -   | Playdays                   | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 2.30pm -    | Bereavement Café           | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | BB                         | - | Magheralin   |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October    | 10.30am -   | Bible Study – The Lounge   | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Red Door                   | - | Magheralin   |
| Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October    | 9.30am -    | All Age Harvest            | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 11.30am -   | All Age Harvest            | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | Evening Harvest            | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Engage – Red Door          | - | Magheralin   |
| Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October    | 2.00pm -    | Bowls Club                 | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | Good News Club             | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Prayer Union – Duck Street | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | MADmen                     | - | Dollingstown |
| Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October   | 2.00pm -    | Friendship Group           | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | GFS                        | - | Magheralin   |
| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October | 10.30am -   | Playdays                   | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 7.45pm -    | Bible Study – Duck Street  | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Red Door                   | - | Dollingstown |
| Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October  | 10.30am -   | Playdays                   | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | BB                         | - | Magheralin   |
| Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October    | 10.30am -   | Bible Study – The Lounge   | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Red Door                   | - | Magheralin   |
| Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October    | 8.30am -    | Holy Communion             | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 9.30am -    | Harvest Thanksgiving       | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 11.30am -   | Harvest Thanksgiving       | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | Harvest Praise             | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Grounded                   | - | Dollingstown |
| Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October    | 2.00pm -    | Bowls Club                 | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.30pm -    | Good News Club             | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Prayer Union – Duck Street | - | Magheralin   |
| Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> October   | 2.00pm -    | Friendship Group           | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    |             | <b>Youth Mission Night</b> | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 6.15-7.45pm | Kids P1 – P7               |   |              |
|                                    | 8-10.00pm   | Youth Yr 8 – Yr 14         |   |              |
| Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> October | 10.30am -   | Playdays                   | - | Dollingstown |
|                                    | 7.45pm -    | Bible Study – Duck Street  | - | Magheralin   |
|                                    | 8.00pm -    | Red Door                   | - | Dollingstown |

# From the Register

*Holy Baptism* "Suffer the little children to come unto me"

18<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Thomas Gregor Peter Williams

*Burials*

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"

7<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Esther Mary Hull

## Sanctuary Flowers



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

| OCTOBER          |                  | NOVEMBER         |                |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Audrey Henderson | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Scorah Family  |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> | <b>VACANT</b>    | 10 <sup>th</sup> | Billy Johnston |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> | <b>VACANT</b>    | 17 <sup>th</sup> | <b>VACANT</b>  |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> | <b>VACANT</b>    | 24 <sup>th</sup> | Gracey Family  |



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