

THE PARISH OF ST PETER AND ST JAMES
BELFAST

PARISH NOTES

JUNE 2018

Rector: The Rev'd Brian Lacey
St Peter's Rectory, 17 Waterloo Park South, Belfast, BT15 5HX

Use your talent this summer

The £1 inside this issue is our gift to you,
what you do with it is your gift back to St Peter's!



God supplies us with many seeds—gifts and talents—
but we must cultivate and use them.

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RECTOR'S NOTES

DATA PROTECTION

This is very important, so please make sure to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest it! A new European-wide law will come into force at the end of this month, which sets out how your personal information may be stored and used, and this therefore affects us as a parish in terms of both basic facts such as your name and address, and also any recorded spiritual/religious information which you have disclosed to me as your Rector, such as your wishes concerning your funeral arrangements. It is vital that you give us consent to hold this information, as without your consent we may be obliged to remove you from our database and destroy any information about you that we currently hold. In this issue of the Parish Notes you should have received a letter which clarifies in more detail this new law, called the General Data Protection Regulation (or GDPR for short), and which explains what you need to do if you wish to continue to be associated with our parish. If you haven't received that letter, then please contact our Parish Secretary, Anne Cromie, and she will provide you with the information that you need. As I said, this is incredibly important for the smooth running of the church, and I urge you to read and respond to the letter as quickly as possible.

PARISH MEETING

The next Parish Meeting will be held in the Minor Hall from 7.30pm until 9pm on Monday 4th June. Gareth Larmour, our Honorary Secretary, took notes at the last meeting, and you can read his own summary elsewhere in these Parish Notes. I encourage everyone who is interested in the mission and

ministries of the church to attend these meetings, which will be held on the first Monday of each month throughout the year (except July, August, and January). I really value hearing ideas and opinions from parishioners about how they think we can better serve God and each other. So come along and be part of the ongoing conversation!

SERVICES IN JUNE

On Thursday 7th June we will commemorate the life and witness of **St Columba** with a traditional celebration of Holy Communion at 7.30pm. This will be followed by Parish Fellowship in the Minor Hall.

In St Peter's we designate the last Sunday in June as **Petertide Sunday**, when we celebrate 118 years since the opening of St Peter's Parish Church. Normally we have a traditional service of Choral Evensong in the evening of that Sunday, but I thought that as an experiment we would have our patronal festival during the morning service instead this year. This means that there will be a traditional language service of Choral Matins at 11am on Sunday 24th June. There will still be an evening service that day, but it will be a short service of Compline without a choir.

St Peter's Day, when we commemorate the life of the chief apostle, is Friday 29th June. As he is one of our two patron saints we will have a special celebration of Holy Communion that morning at 10.30am.

OPEN CHURCH

During the week leading up to Pentecost, various parishes in our Rural Deanery opened their church building for private prayer, and some set apart a dedicated prayer room in their church or

halls. St Peter's was open for three afternoons during that week, with six prayer stations designed to give us food for thought and a focus to our prayers. Those who came into the church on those three sunny days remarked how nice it was to be able to sit in the lovely quiet atmosphere of St Peter's for some time alone with God. As we move into the summer, we will open the church regularly both for those who wish to pray and for tourists or locals who are curious to see the interior of the building. On some occasions I will work from the church rather than the Rectory, and in such cases I will open the doors and put a sign outside to let people know they can come in. But we also need parishioners to volunteer to supervise the church during July and August. This will be discussed at our Parish Meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 4th June, so come along and share your views on the matter, or alternatively let me know if you'd be willing to volunteer and I'll give you more information about what's being planned.

SERMON SUMMARIES



On **Rogation Sunday** (6th May) we thought about Jesus' words, "You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last." Some people mistakenly consider this passage to be about predestination—which is the belief that God has chosen some people to be saved, and therefore

by extension, he has chosen other people not to be saved. But that's not what our Lord Jesus is talking about here when he refers to being chosen. What he's talking about is not who God choose to save, but rather—who God chooses to appoint to do his work on earth. In other words, he's talking about Christian mission and ministries, and he's talking about our vocation—our calling by God to be involved in his work.

Now let's think about what God's work is. To understand this, you need to know what Jesus did in his earthly ministry. We can summarise it by saying: (1) He cared for people who were suffering—physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually. (2) He addressed the cause of their suffering—through healing, or through absolution, or by providing them with food, or by making them included and valued in his community. (3) He motivated people (both through encouragement and rebuke) to live better lives, and to turn away from the negative things that were holding them back.

So, in a nutshell, Jesus' ministry was about comforting people, helping people, and challenging people. Comforting, helping, and challenging. And through these three things, lives were transformed; communities were transformed; and in many ways over the last 2000 years, the whole world has been transformed by his ministries.

But here's what I want you to take note of: Christ did not carry out his ministries alone; he delegated them to his disciples, both during his earthly lifetime, and then more importantly after his Resurrection when he gave them the Great Commission to go out and make disciples of all nations. This is because God wants us to work with him to make the world a better place. God wants us—as flawed as we are—to work alongside him, and to carry out today the mission and ministries which Christ started 2000 years ago. He wants us to comfort, and to help, and to challenge.

Of course, God doesn't expect you—as an individual—to do *everything* on his behalf. We are not Jesus. Instead, he delegates to us certain tasks and responsibilities. Some he calls to a caring

role—which can be anything from being a professional counsellor, to simply being someone who is happy to listen and comfort someone who is sad or lonely. To others, God delegates the responsibility of helping others in need. And this applies to a vast range of activities: from clearing landmines from former war zones, to researching the cure for diseases, to putting the kettle on and making someone a cup of tea. To others, God delegates the responsibility of challenging people to be better. And this applies not just to clergy, but to secular teachers, and even just to individuals who have a wise word to say to people who don't know what path to take in life.

To every Christian, God chooses for them a role to play in the advancement of his Kingdom, in order to make the world a better place. And this is what our Lord Jesus means when he says “You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit.” In other words, God is saying to us: It doesn't matter what you think you're good at, or what you're interested in, I have a job assigned for you, and if you do it, it will make life better—maybe just for one person, but maybe for a million people.

But for everyone involved in Christian ministry, whether we are lay or ordained (and this therefore applies to all of us) God choosing each of us to fulfil a role in his plans for the world, is both a responsibility and a delight. It is a responsibility because if God has called YOU, then you alone can do it. If you duck out of it, if you try to avoid it, if you only engage with it half-heartedly, then the lives of other people will be affected. Because we have failed to do what God has called us to do, other people will not receive the comfort they need, or the help they need, or indeed the challenge that they might need. So to be chosen by God for his purposes is a great responsibility, that all of us should take seriously.

But is also a great delight, because it should give us comfort—and a confidence boost—knowing that God has chosen us just as we are, and that includes all the negative things that we might think

about ourselves, or even that other people might think about us. So for every one hundred reasons that we might be able to list as to why we think someone shouldn't be involved in a particular Christian ministry, all that person needs is the one single reason why they should. And that reason is *because God wants them to*. And he knows a lot better than we do. So we have to trust therefore, that if God has chosen us, and he is calling us to do something, then he will give us the motivation, the skills, and the experience in order to do it.

The question for you is: what has our Lord Jesus chosen for you to do? What comfort can you bring? What help can you offer? What challenge can you give?

On **Whit Sunday** (20th May) I talked about how difficult it can be for us to work out what God wants. I told you about two of the ways in which religious communities in the past and in the present have sought to discern what God wants for them: they were casting stones (which is the equivalent of tossing a coin) or having a vote (in which presumably the winning majority can claim to have God on their side.) I also told you why neither of those was a guaranteed way of

discerning God's will, and that indeed it is difficult for us—even for the most intelligent human—to work out what God wants. And it's precisely because of this that there are so many



expressions of religion, and so many subdivisions within each religion, with each group claiming to have correctly heard and understood what God wants to communicate to us. Indeed, there are probably as many ideas about God, as there are people, because every individual—depending on their upbringing, their education, and their experience of life—will have formulated their own perception of God.

Clearly, though, with so many contradictory religious beliefs throughout the world, many (perhaps most) expressions of religion must be wrong. That's because as hard as we might try to get inside the mind of God, in order to see the world the way that he does, our human brains are just not capable of it. As smart as we might think we are, we are tiny insignificant creatures living on the surface of a tiny insignificant ball floating in space in the infinite vastness of the universe. What possible insight do we think that we have into the mind of a being who has it within his power to create at will the complexity of life as we know it, and so much more besides about which we know nothing. Therefore, we must rid ourselves of the notion that through our own efforts we can know the mind of God.

And yet it is possible for us to know a little of what God is thinking, and to discern what he wants us to do. But if we can't achieve that through our own efforts, then how can it happen? Well, the answer is that God himself can give us insight into himself. He can place that knowledge into our brains. In other words, he can reveal to us information about himself that we can't work out for ourselves. In religious terms, we call this "inspiration" which literally means "to breathe into". Inspiration is God breathing knowledge of himself into us. It was inspiration which led Abraham, four thousand years ago, to understand that in a world in which many gods and goddesses were worshipped, that there was only the one true, living, God. It was inspiration which led Moses, three and a half thousand years ago, to formulate the religious and moral laws which have shaped the Jewish people, and influenced Christianity. It was inspiration

which led the Old Testament prophets to speak out against the people of their time, calling them to turn away from their sinfulness and to return to God. And it was inspiration which led the Apostles to speak in languages which they had never learned, and to proclaim the Good News with boldness.

All of these people had the knowledge of what God wants, breathed into them. They did not sit down and try hard to work it out for themselves. Rather, they simply allowed God to bring to their minds what it was that he wanted them to know, or to do, or to say. In fact, as we are told in the Book of Acts, this inspiration from God came to the Apostles after they had spent time waiting patiently, as our Lord Jesus had told them to do. Just waiting. Waiting until God took the initiative to fill their hearts and minds with insight into his plans for the world. We call that moment, when God implanted a little part of his mind into the minds of the first Christians, “Pentecost”, and we describe it as the time at which they received God’s Holy Spirit.

But take note that this was nothing new, or unique in the history of world. God had inspired many people before, and he has inspired many people since. What was different, was the sheer number of people affected. Previously only individuals at certain times had been inspired by the Holy Spirit. But now this trickle of inspiration had been replaced by a thunderstorm. Everyone who had believed that Jesus was risen from the dead, and who believed that his death and resurrection had brought about the forgiveness of sins, and who believed in the power of his name to heal—to all of them came this great gift: the ability to see the world through the eyes of God, and to perceive even just a little of how he thinks and what he wants from us. And more than that, the motivation and the ability to make the world a better place.

That inspiration from God, which is breathed into us by God the Holy Spirit, is still wonderfully available to us today. And this is good news for everyone who longs to draw closer to God, and to understand him, and to learn what he wants for our lives.

That good news is that we don't even need to try. All we need to do is open our hearts to the possibility that God would reveal himself to us, and then—wait. Just wait with hope and expectation.

And for those who might wonder “But how do we know if we have received this Holy Spirit?”, the answer is also found in the Book of Acts, with its description of Pentecost. You will feel the burning fire of the power of God living and growing inside you. And you will sense a new-found confidence and understanding, as if a veil has been lifted from over your eyes. So many people who have experienced this have said that the Bible—which had previously been a mystery to them—suddenly started making sense. Such knowledge and wisdom comes from outside of ourselves, from God himself, and not through our own efforts.

And so if you truly want it—if you want to share today in the power of Pentecost—then ask God for his Spirit, open your heart to receive him, and then wait for God to act.

Parish Notes on-line

There are full colour versions of Parish Notes on our website. Visit www.stpeters.connor.anglican.org and click on “Parish Notes”.

PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

“Born again of water and the Holy Spirit ...”

Ellis James Crozier

son of Aaron and Yvonne Crozier, Chichester Road

on 20th May 2018

Can you make £1 grow?



At the Easter Vestry this year we learned that we have a serious shortfall in church funds so we (members of Crafty Goodness) decided to put our heads together to see what we could do about it. We came up with the idea of everyone in the parish using their own talents. Many years ago we did this very same thing and it resulted in parishioners having coffee mornings, doing gardening for others, providing dog walking services, making and selling jams and baked goods, doing sponsored walks, providing afternoon tea, hosting bridge evenings, etc, etc. It was great fun and brought parishioners, friends and families together as well as raising much needed funds.

We hope that everyone will take part again this time and so we have given all parishioners £1 (see above!) to kickstart their efforts. As this is just the beginning of summer we thought it would be a good time to have some fun and make our pound coins multiply.

We would like to have this project completed by the end of October so please try to think of something to make this £1 grow over the summer and then put the money earned into an envelope with your name and how the money was raised and then give it to one of our churchwardens by 31st October. It will be fantastic if everyone gets involved in this and we manage to get at least some of our debt wiped out!

If you would like anything advertised (an event you are hosting, a service you are providing, etc) in the next issue of Parish Notes (covering July and August) please let Anne Cromie know by Monday morning, 18th June. The September and October issues can also provide advertising space!

We hope you enjoy this challenge and thank you for entering into the spirit of this FUN-raising!!!

CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	3rd JUNE Holy Communion Choral Eucharist Choral Evensong	THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>traditional, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	6th JUNE Morning Prayer	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
THURSDAY 7.30pm	7th JUNE Holy Communion	ST COLUMBA (transferred) <i>traditional, Chancel, white</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	10th JUNE Holy Communion Choral Matins Evening Prayer	THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>modern, St James, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	13th JUNE Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	17th JUNE Holy Communion Choral Eucharist Choral Eucharist	THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	20th JUNE Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	24th JUNE Holy Communion Festal Matins Compline	PETERTIDE SUNDAY <i>modern, Resurrection, red</i> <i>traditional, Nave, red</i> <i>traditional, St James, red</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	27th JUNE Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, red</i>
FRIDAY 10.30am	29th JUNE Holy Communion	ST PETER <i>modern, Chancel, red</i>

CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY

SUNDAY 9am 11am	1st JULY Holy Communion Holy Communion	THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>traditional, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	4th JULY Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am	8th JULY Holy Communion Morning Prayer	SEA SUNDAY <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	11th JULY Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am	15th JULY Holy Communion Holy Communion	THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	18th JULY Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am	22nd JULY Holy Communion Choral Eucharist	ST JAMES THE APOSTLE (transferred) <i>modern, St James, red</i> <i>traditional, Nave, red</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	25th JULY Holy Communion	MID-WEEK <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am	29th JULY Holy Communion Morning Prayer	THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>traditional, Nave, green</i>

June Diary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 9am Holy Communion 11am Choral Eucharist & Sunday School 6.30pm Choral Evensong	4 7.30pm Parish Meeting	5 10.30am Crafty Goodness 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs 7.30pm Scouts 7.30pm Priory Singers' Rehearsal	6 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	7 <i>Saint Columba (transferred)</i> 10am Little Cherubs 7.30pm Holy Communion followed by Parish Fellowship	8 11.30am Bible Study 4pm Speech and Drama 10.30am PhysioPilates 4pm Speech and Drama	9

10 9am Holy Communion 11am Choral Matins & Sunday School (tea/coffee) 6.30pm Evening Prayer	11	12 10.30am Crafty Goodness 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs 7.30pm Scouts 7.30pm Priory Singers' Rehearsal	13 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	14 7.30pm Parish Fellowship including a short service	15 10.30am PhysioPilates 11.30am Bible Study 4pm Speech and Drama	16
17 9am Holy Communion 11am Choral Eucharist & Sunday School 6.30pm Choral Eucharist	18 <i>Deadline for material to be with Anne for July/August Parish Notes</i> 7.30pm Select Vestry	19 10.30 Crafty Goodness 7.30pm Priory Singers' Rehearsal	20 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	21	22 10.30am PhysioPilates	23
24 <i>Petertide Sunday</i> 9am Holy Communion 11am Festal Matins & Sunday School (tea/coffee) Traidcraft stall 6.30pm Compline	25	26 10.30 Crafty Goodness 7.30pm Priory Singers' Rehearsal	27 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates	28 7.30pm Parish Fellowship including a short service	29 <i>Saint Peter</i> 10.30am Holy Communion 10.30am PhysioPilates	30

Christian Aid Water Walk



On May Day Monday at half past eight in the morning as a large part of the population was having a well deserved lie-in and the marathon runners were contemplating which energy rich food to eat before their ordeal, I was setting off from Stranmillis on the first leg of my Christian Aid Water Walk. I had the support of my trusty pacemaker who ensured that I didn't proceed at my normal lusty pace.

It was a beautiful day—dry and not too hot. All in all I walked for about three and a half hours from Stranmillis to Lady Dixon Park and back again—a total of eleven and a half miles—while carrying a container of water. This was a symbol of the daily task carried out by women and children in areas affected by lack of good sanitation and a ready supply of running water. Along the way I was refreshed by some perfectly clear, cool water and enjoyed the burbling of the

Lagan as it sparkled beside me in the sun—both of which reminded me of the reason for the walk.

I'm glad to say that I have managed to raise the wonderful sum of £715 (so far!) which will go towards our St Peter's Christian Aid appeal.



Thank you all for your interest and support.

Anne Stewart

LESSON READERS AND INTERCESSORS

The following parishioners are on the rota to read at the 11am Sunday services. If you are unable to read on your appointed Sunday, please contact the Warden of Readers, Sandra Hutchman, tel 95 149 564.

June	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessor
3rd	Barbara Greenlees	Marie Burrowes	Dora Hanna
10th	Caroline O'Kane	Tom Campbell	Quintin Mulligan
17th	Hilary Shields	Dora Hanna	David Cromie
24th	Philip Williamson	Wes Holmes	Sandra Hutchman

HONORARY SECRETARY'S BULLETIN

Going forward, I hope to use this bulletin to provide updates on the management of the parish's resources as administered by the Select Vestry, and also to keep you informed about discussions that have taken place at our newly formed Parish Meeting, which is concerned with our Christian mission, ministries, and worship.

At the inaugural Parish Meeting, the following issues were raised:

- (1) The need for someone to greet and assist parishioners when they enter the church at all services, not just the 11am Sunday service. If a Churchwarden is not present, then this will be the responsibility of the Sacristan or Sidesperson on duty.
- (2) Forde Patterson has recently retired from the role of Warden of Readers, and the Rector has appointed Sandra Hutchman to serve in the re-named role of Lay Ministry Co-ordinator for Lectors.
- (3) Our Prayers of Intercession are normally reviewed each August, but given changes to the governance of the parish, the prayers will need to be amended accordingly. The Rector will therefore seek suggestions for changes at the next Parish Meeting.
- (4) The feedback from parishioners about the recent Healing Service was overwhelmingly positive, and therefore the Rector intends to organise a Service of Wholeness and Healing at least twice each year, once at the 11am Sunday service, and once at the 6.30pm Sunday service.
- (5) The Rector is looking at introducing a short and informal time of worship/prayer/conversation around 9.45am on Sundays, between the two current Sunday morning services. This could be a 'café church' style service, but this idea is only at its preliminary stage, and the Rector will seek the views of those people whom he thinks might be interested.
- (6) The Rector expressed thanks for the beautiful flowers that brighten up St Peter's. He outlined traditions concerning the use of flowers in church throughout the year, explaining that the colour of the flowers should as far as possible be in keeping with the liturgical colour of the season, particularly during Advent and Lent.

- (7) The General Synod was due to meet one week after the Parish Meeting, and on its agenda was a proposal to write a new form of Morning Prayer, specifically for use on Sundays. The parishioners present discussed whether or not they believed there was a need for such a new service, and if so, whether or not the proposed service addressed that need.
- (8) The Rector welcomed the Rev'd Dr Ken Houston, who has been given a license to officiate in the parish. Ken has kindly offered to lead some services in St Peter's, and will be available to respond to any pastoral emergencies during the Rector's holidays. There will be further information about Ken and his role in St Peter's in the next issue of the Parish Notes. The next meeting of the Parish Meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday 4th June. I encourage you to attend and share your thoughts.

Gareth Larmour, Hon Sec to Select Vestry

Our Parish Family ...

Please let us know about any happy events and/or exciting news happening within our parish family Good news is always worth sharing!

To the Rector, Select Vestry and all who signed my birthday card:

Thank you all so much for your good wishes for my 100th birthday—I find it hard to believe that I have reached this age, and wonder where all the years have gone!

We have very happy memories of St Peter's, and the children too. Peter enjoyed being Churchwarden several times and of course, bowls, we both enjoyed!

Many thanks again.

With best wishes, Mary Worrall

AFTER CHURCH REFRESHMENT

Light refreshments will be served after the 11am service on Sunday 10th June by the Holy Dusters and on Sunday 24th June by the 9 o'clockers.



County Flag Day Congratulations to our Cub Scouts

There were two teams entered from St Peter's Cub Scouts (the 57th Cub Scout Group) to the Flag Day at Ardnally on Saturday 28th April. This is an annual event and packs from all over Belfast take part. It is a team event in which the Cubs take part in a series of outdoor challenges including sewing, bag packing, fire lighting and outdoor cooking. The cubs enjoyed their hot dogs and marshmallows that they cooked themselves!

The 57th B team won the novice cup—this is an award that is given to a group that hasn't taken part before. Well done to the team that comprised of Josh Donnelly, Zoe O'Kane, Alfie Challenor, Lily Parker, Adam Gallagher and Finlay Foster.

We are now the proud owners until 2019 of the Armstrong Cup which the Rector has very kindly allowed us to display in the church.

Cara Parker, Cub Scout Leader



As you know, we have Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts at St Peter's on Tuesday evenings and now we are delighted to announce that we have a Scout Group too. This is really good news because it means our Beavers and Cubs can continue on into Scouts when they reach the appropriate age.



The Scout Group meets on Tuesdays from 7.30pm to 9pm (starting in the minor hall and moving to the main hall half way through). Of course, we are now very near the end of term and the Group's last meeting will be on 12th June but the start back date for the new term will be advertised in the September Parish Notes.

Scouts are for those aged 11-17 years. Contact details for the leader are on the back cover.

JUNE FLOWER LIST

- 3RD JOAN LAWATHER AND FAMILY IN MEMORY OF BOBBY
17TH THE HENNESSY FAMILY IN MEMORY OF CONOR JAMES
24TH THE HALDANE FAMILY



Thank you to all who give of their time and effort in beautifying the church with flowers. If possible, flowers should be in keeping with the liturgical colour of the season, particularly during Advent and Lent.



ORGANISATIONS/HALL TIMETABLE

Sunday

11am—12noon: Sunday School

Monday

8pm—11pm: Badminton Club

Tuesday

10.30am—12.30pm: Crafty Goodness

2.30pm—4.30pm: Ladies' Guild (2nd Tuesday in month)

6pm—7pm: Beaver Scouts

7pm—8pm: Cub Scouts

7.30pm—9pm: Scouts

Wednesday

2pm—4pm: Bridge Club

6.30pm—7.45pm: PhysioPilates

7.30pm—9pm: Choir

Thursday

10am—11.30am: 'Little Cherubs' Parent and Toddler Group

6pm—7pm: Rainbows

7pm—8pm: Brownies

7.30pm—9pm: Parish Fellowship (every Thurs except 3rd in month)

7.45pm—9.30pm: Historical Society (3rd Thursday in month)

8pm—9.30pm: Guides and Senior Guides

Friday

10.30am—11.45am: PhysioPilates

11.30am—12.30pm: Bible Study (1st and 3rd Friday in month)

4pm—8pm: Speech and Drama

*For more information on the parish organisations (including term dates)
please contact the appropriate personnel listed on the back page
or the Parish Secretary.*

PASTORAL CARE

If you would like to arrange for the Rector to visit you at home, whether to share your anxieties in confidence, for spiritual advice, for prayer, or for Holy Communion, then please contact him on 90 777 053. This is an essential part of his ministry and he will be pleased to visit you and help in whatever way he can.

If the Rector is unavailable, there will be contact details for other clergy on the answer machine.

If you or a loved one is seriously ill, particularly if you are admitted to hospital, please inform the Rector. He often visits the hospitals but has no way of knowing who has been admitted unless he is informed. If you are visited by a hospital chaplain and they ask if you would like your Rector to visit, please say "yes" and he will gladly come to see you.

PARISHIONER CONTACT DETAILS

For speed of communication and to keep our records up to date please send your email address to Anne at stpeterandstjames@outlook.com.

Also please don't forget to let us know if you move house, change your telephone number or change your email address. Thank you.

Holy Dusters Cleaning Rota

28th May—2nd June ----- Group 5

4th June—9th June ----- Group 6

11th June—16th June ----- Group 7

18th June—23rd June ----- Group 8

25th June—30th June ----- Group 1



TRAIDCRAFT
Fighting poverty through trade

Stall open on
Sunday 24th June
during coffee time after
the 11am service

THE NEXT MEETING OF
THE SELECT VESTRY
WILL BE ON
MONDAY 18TH JUNE
AT 7.30^{PM}
IN THE MINOR HALL

Please send material for the July/August issue of Parish Notes to:

Anne Cromie, Parish Office, St Peter's Church,
Fortwilliam Drive, Belfast BT15 4EB

or email: stpeterandstjames@outlook.com

by Monday 18th June. Thank you.