

Puzzle Corner



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Can you do the Big Breakfast Word Search?

Words can be up, down, back, forward and diagonal!

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| bacon | best fry in belfast | coco pops | fry |
| coffee | cornflakes | eggs | good food |
| jam | marmalade | orange juice | potato bread |
| rice krispies | sausage | soda bread | tea |
| toast | tomatoes | | |

PASSWORDS

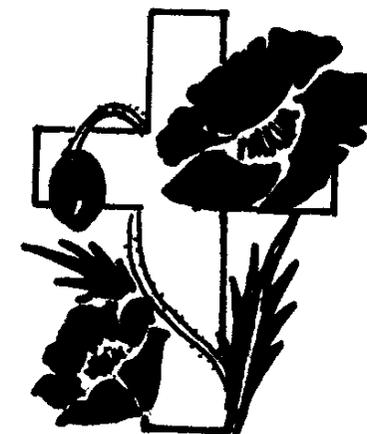


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NOVEMBER SERVICES



SERVICES	MINISTER	READER <i>(Morning services only)</i>
<u>4th Nov—4th Sunday before Advent</u> 11.00 am Holy Communion 6.30 pm Prayers and Readings	Rev B Courtney Mr J Collins	Jane Stewart <i>Hebrews 9-v- 11-14 (Page 208)</i>
<u>11th Nov—3rd Sunday before Advent</u> 11.00 am Remembrance Sunday Morning Prayer 6.30 pm Holy Communion <i>(St Aidan's)</i>	The Very Rev Houston McKelvey Rev T P Kerr	RNA Members
<u>18th Nov—2nd Sunday before Advent</u> 11.00 am Holy Communion 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Rev T P Kerr Rev T P Kerr	Molly Scales <i>Hebrews 10 -v- 11-25 (Page 208)</i>
<u>25th Nov— Sunday before Advent</u> 11.00 am Family Service 6.30 pm Evening Prayer <i>(St Aidan's)</i>	Mr J Newberry Rev T P Kerr	Various

Please note that there may be occasions when it is necessary to change Minister

*Readers read the First Lesson of the Day—taken from the Pew Bible.
Readers should confirm their reading with the Rector/Minister*

Thursday Lunchtime Services

These continue to take place on Thursdays at 12.30 pm in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit—see note on page 5.
All welcome.



Flower Rota—November



Nov 4th	.....	The Lennon Family
	.....	Mrs A Sheppard—in memory of her mother Mrs A Henry
Nov 11th	.....	Remembrance Sunday
Nov 18th	.....	Mr & Mrs B McMillan
	.....	Miss E King—in memory of her father
Nov 25th	.....	Mr & Mrs H Rodgers
	.....	Mrs A Crawford—in memory of her grandson Paul

Remember in Prayer:



- Ronnie Ballantine
- Martha Fitzsimmons
- Jim Garstang
- Annie Jenkins
- Lily Mark
- David Mason
- Emily Mason
- Annie McCully
- Sadie Parker
- David Sampson
- Jim Smyth
- Laura Smyth
- Frances Smith
- Desmond Spratt
- David Stephenson
- Leila Webster
- Jamie Webster

Please inform the Rector of:

- anyone you would like added to our prayer list
- anyone who is in hospital or unwell.

The Church of Ireland “Safeguarding Trust” Policy operates in this church. Panel Members are Rev Terence Kerr, Mr Cecil Dunwoody and Mrs Catherine Irving.
Notices to this effect have been placed in the church and halls.



for our younger readers

The Bible is full of interesting animals. See if you can tell who these are:

- 1 I was one of the biggest animals in the sea and I loved swimming in the water God made.
whale monkey giraffe elephant
- 2 I was an animal Noah sent out to see if there was any land after God flooded the earth.
bear dove dragon donkey
- 3 I was sacrificed in the place of Abraham's son. I have horns and wool.
Cat fish dog ram
- 4 I was one of the plagues God sent to Pharaoh. I am green.
Snake frog pig mouse
- 5 I tried to kill one of the strongest men in the Bible. I am hairy and I roar!
Dove lion donkey snake
- 6 I was very close to a shepherd boy named David.
Pig sheep horse dog
- 7 I'm not usually a scary animal, but I was not friendly to an evil queen. I have 4 legs, a tail and I love to bark.
Dog horse cat cow
- 8 Peter was really surprised when he pulled me out of the water and found a coin in my mouth.
Fish snake dove snail
- 9 I carried Jesus through the streets while people threw palm trees and sang.
Camel elephant donkey lion

1 whale, 2 dove, 3 ram, 4 frog, 5 lion, 6 sheep, 7 dog, 8 fish, 9 donkey



The Rector writes ...

November 2012

Dear Parishioners

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

A number of friends decided to attend the Night of Remembrance in the Royal Albert Hall. Of course, they thoroughly enjoyed the pageantry, dignity of the participants, culminating in the solemn remembrance for those who fought and died in the many conflicts in which our British Armed Forces took part. In the vestibule there were a number of exhibitions, mostly manned by retired personnel. They wanted to support the troops and they purchased a drying cloth with these words written by a small child who wanted to understand the human sacrifice to maintain our freedom. The family have asked me to reproduce these challenging and informative words, that we might understand

THE INQUISITIVE MIND OF A CHILD

*Why are they selling poppies, mummy?
Selling poppies in town today
The poppies, child are flowers of love
For the men who marched away
But, why have they chosen a poppy, mummy?
Why not a beautiful rose?
Because, my child, men fought and died
In the fields where the poppies grow
But why are the poppies so red, mummy?
Why are the poppies so red?
Red is the colour of blood, my child
The blood our soldiers shed
The heart of the poppy is black, mummy
Why does it have to be black?*

*Black my child, is a symbol of grief
 For the men who never came back
 But, why mummy, are you crying so?
 Your tears are giving you pain
 My tears are my fears for you my child
 For the world – IS FORGETTING AGAIN*

In St Mary Magdalene on the 11 November 2012 at 11.00 am we will take time to remember before God that same sacrifice. It is our duty, to come along and praise God that we still live in a country where freedom is the gift we have received from those who gave everything for their fellow human beings –

LEST WE FORGET.

Please plan to attend this very important service.

*Every Blessing
 Rev Terry*



We are delighted that members of the Royal Naval Association will again be attending our church on Remembrance Sunday. Their presence adds a particular significance to this special day.



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Holding a grudge is letting someone living rent-free in your head

Look down the back of your sofa

Here's good news: you probably have more money than you think you have. In fact, about £40 million in loose change could be lost down the back of our sofas, according to a recent survey by the Halifax. The average person has an estimated £1.61 lost somewhere down their sofa, as well as up to another £15 or so distributed around the house in pockets, bags, drawers and the car.

CONNOR CONNECTIONS

The latest edition of Connor Connections will soon be available at the back of the church. Alternatively, you can download it from our church website.

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For your diary

- Big Breakfast** Sat 10th Nov 9.00-12.00 am
- Select Vestry** Mon 12th Nov 7.30 pm
- Ladies' Guild** Wed 14th Nov 7.30 pm
- Antiques Fair** Sat 17th Nov 12.30-4.00 pm
Teas rota: Ann & Jean
- Snooker Club** Tuesdays 7.00 pm
- Midweek Services** Thursdays 12.30 pm
- BB** Thursdays 6.30 pm onwards



*"It comes to something when the state of the pound is such that we **hope** to find lots of foreign coins!"*

HARVEST COLLECTION

Our gratitude goes to the few volunteers who turned up to help with the Harvest decoration and also to anyone who contributed flowers, fruit and vegetables. I'm sure everyone will agree that the church looked particularly beautiful this Harvest.

Our annual Harvest Collection amounted to £125 and this has been passed on to the 'Life after Loss' charity. This was a tremendous effort and our thanks to all who contributed.

If you are interested in learning more about the work of this group, you can find them on Facebook.

HARVEST DINNER

The dinner was a tremendous success with around 40 people enjoying a real slap-up meal! Our thanks go to the chefs, table setters, those involved in preparations and of course the washer-uppers—all of whom contributed greatly to making the night such fun. We were royally entertained by the group of ladies known as 'Class Act' and by Amy, currently living and performing in London, but who, fortunately for us, was home here in Belfast for her mum's birthday.

The terrific sum of £400 has been raised for restoration funds. Thank you and well done to all!

Articles for the December magazine should be with Kate Irving by Sunday 18th November 2012.

THURSDAY LUNCHEON CLUB

The Thursday Club is continuing every Thursday and the group would like to invite all those who are "MORE MATURE IN YEARS" to come and enjoy the fellowship. A short informal talk by the Rev Terry is followed by a hearty lunch.

Roy and Josephine are organising the food, but different 'celebrity' chefs, including the Rector, will be doing the cooking!

See you next week and every week at 12.30pm

ALL WELCOME

Your friends from the Thursday Club

MEN'S TRIP TO BELFAST MISSION TO SEAFARERS

In the Springtime of this year, a group of gentlemen from both our parishes visited Stormont and recently the same group journeyed to Belfast Harbour, where the Chaplain to the Mission to Seafarers, the Rev Colin Hall -Thompson informed us of the work of the Mission. Firstly, he took us around the harbour in his mini-bus where the foreign seafarers unloaded their wares. Some docks were very isolated - in some cases 2 to 3 miles from the city. The Rev Colin maintained a service where he picked the voyagers up in his bus and brought them to the Mission where they could get food and drink and an opportunity to talk to their loved ones via Skype or the Internet. Many of the seamen were very poorly paid and indeed in extreme cases, if the voyage was prolonged (up to 6 months at sea) they maybe didn't get paid at all. The Rev Colin didn't overtly push the Christian Faith, but if asked, he organized prayers or just a listening ear to some of these quite desperate sailors. Colin led us in prayer in the Anglican Church named St Brendan's which is tastefully decorated in nautical themes.

We enjoyed some light refreshments, but I think all of us were deeply challenged by the fact that significant numbers of deckhands etc. didn't always get treated fairly by the shipping companies. The Rev Colin provides a worthwhile service to the seafarers who dock in Belfast Harbour and we wish him God's Richest Blessing. Please uphold the Rev Colin and the Mission to Seafarers in your prayers.

The Rector is considering affiliating the men's group with the Church of Ireland Men's Society – more details to follow.

Rev Terry



BB PEAK FOR CHARITY!

Congratulations to The Boys' Brigade members of the 1st Irish (St Mary Magdalene) and 8th Belfast (Cooke Centenary) who raised over £1700 for charity.

The boys and their leaders were sponsored by friends and family to climb five peaks in the Mourne Mountains. The donations were divided between Friends of the Cancer Centre and Marie Curie and both charities were delighted with the boys' efforts.

It is so nice to hear about young people playing their part to help others and their leaders deserve a lot of thanks for planning the trip.

Well done to all concerned.

Libby Garstang, Treasurer



God's word to God's world

CROSSLINKS On 27th October 2012, Crosslinks celebrated its 90th Anniversary. We give thanks to the Lord for those who have responded to the call to 'Go forth and make disciples of all nations'.

It would be appreciated if all missionary boxes and subscriptions were returned by the beginning of December.

Thank you for your interest, prayers and donations.

Lena and Cecil

Ladies' Guild



Calling all dog lovers! We will be having a very special guest at our November meeting—in the form of a little dog currently being trained as a guide dog. We are delighted that a trainer of Guide Dogs will be coming along to tell us about this very worthwhile service and he promises to bring along one of his trainees! We look forward to that very much.

It was good to see so many of our members return in October, ready for another year of Guild activities. Our programme promises to be one of variety and interest.

To any ladies out there who are not currently members of our guild—why not come along one night and give it a try. You can be sure of a very warm welcome.

Joan Rodgers—President



Our next

"BIG BREAKFAST"

takes place on

**Saturday 10th November
 9.00 am—12 noon**

*Please support us by coming along
 and having a superb breakfast!*

**Cost only £4.00 each
 all proceeds to church funds**

