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This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me. Luke 22: 19b

The words Jesus used in that upper room with his disciples on the eve of his crucifixion were intentional and far reaching. He understood the frailty of our memories and the importance of remembering. He recognised that when faced with opposition and challenge in the months and years following his crucifixion, his words of command would be the very things which would inspire and encourage those who felt threatened and weak. 2000 years on, we continue to recall that act of ultimate sacrifice and the very act of remembering brings freedom for today and strength for tomorrow. As a church, we continue to remember using words and symbols to help us; the words of Jesus and symbols which he used with those first disciples in that upper room. Remembering can be painful, but it also brings hope for those in despair.

Remembering is something which we also do as a nation, irrespective of race or creed, as we stand together on Remembrance Sunday, in silence, and give thanks for those who laid down their lives in service of their country. But why is remembering important all these years later? Why continue to remember something which happened over 100 years ago which no living person can recall or recount? As I reflect on this question, 2 responses come to my mind.

Firstly, it is important to remember so that the sacrifice of those who gave up their lives was not in vain. Freedom is something which we can all take so easily for granted. Imagine the freedom which the people of Ukraine had enjoyed up until February of this year. Freedom to travel, freedom to be

educated, freedom to work, freedom to live. And now that freedom has been cruelly wrenched from the grip of so many inhabitants of that land. I am firmly convinced that it is only when something is taken from us that we truly value what we once had in our hand. I am convinced that is why so many ordinary citizens of Ukraine have been so willing to bear arms in defence of their land and to retain their freedom. Freedom is worth fighting for and that fight comes with a cost. In our own experience, most of us will not have lost someone close to us; but many have. Thousands left these shores to fight for something which was at risk of being taken from them and others. Thousands volunteered to bear arms in pursuit of something which has no monetary value, but which has lasting worth. Thousands left these shores in order that we should never have to bend our knee to a dictator or be subjected to a cruel regime which deprived us of our freedom. Thousands left these shores and never returned.

Secondly, it is important to remember the cost of the freedom which we enjoy. Countless millions have lost their lives over the past century in disputes over borders and arguments which have become even more confused with the passage of time. Innocent men, women and children have lost their lives. So many good people have had their lives cut short in the heat of battle on shores which were remote and far removed from the places they called home. The sheer scale of the cost of our freedom is staggering to the point of being beyond our human comprehension. So it is crucial that we remember the immensity of the sacrifice in order that we avoid further conflicts at all costs. Bearing arms in anger must be an absolute last resort. Shedding the blood of another human being made in the image of God should be something which we only resort to when every other option has been completely exhausted.

So, we remember those who gave up their lives as we enjoy the freedom which they won for us. And we remember the scale of their sacrifice in order that we might never engage in conflicts and wars without considering every single other option.

And as we remember, we use words and symbols to help us, lest we should ever forget. The symbol is a poppy and the words are simple but profound, "At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

Every blessing in Christ.

Geoff

November 2022

DUTY 6 - Monday 28th November

On Monday 28th November I will be running an information night "Duty 6" for parents/guardians and any other family members on how to share your faith at home or indeed nurture your children's faith. Based on the words of Deuteronomy chapter 6 we want to provide you with means and ways to talk about God in the home and how you can spend precious family time centered around God. There will be a resource table as well as tea and coffee! Please do share the word and invite others! If you plan to attend, please contact me on 028 9269 3968 or email: dromore.youth.children@gmail.com Christine Shanks

T DUTY 6

Calling all parents, guardians, grandparents or other family members for an information night to help nurture and disciple children in the Christian faith.

MONDAY 28TH NOVEMBER | 8PM CLAYTON HALL

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6 These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 7 IMPRESS THEM ON YOUR CHILDREN. TALK ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU SIT AT HOME AND WHEN YOU WALK ALONG THE ROAD, WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU GET UP.

DeUTeronomY: 6-5-7

DROMORE CATHEDRAL YOUTH & CHILDREN

Clothes Swap – Saturday 19th November

What is a clothes swap? Do you have clothes in your wardrobe that you are thinking of bringing to a charity shop? Why not bring them to our clothes swap in aid of Tearfund? Bring up to 5 items and you could bring home up to 5 different items.

A donation box for Tearfund will be at the door on the day.

Leave the items in the Cathedral Hall on Sunday 13th, Friday 18th between 7pm & 8.30pm, or on Saturday 19th before 10am, if possible. You will be given a voucher with the number of items you can take (e.g., if you donated 2 items you will be given a voucher for 2 items). If, at the end of the day there are items left you will be able to buy these, with money from the sale going to Tearfund.

As this is our first time doing a clothes swap, we are going to limit this to men's and women's clothes that are in good condition and that you would still wear yourself. We will also have a table for Christmas Jumpers where childrens' Christmas jumpers will also be able to be swapped. Tea, Coffee and treats will also be provided.

Date: Saturday 19th November 10am - 12noon

30% of textiles in the UK end up in landfill – lets help reduce this by swapping clothes with friends instead of throwing items away.

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Big Parish Table Quiz

Cathedral Hall Friday 25th November 2022 at 7.30pm

There will be something for all ages and all interests.

Come along as a team (maximum 6 per table) or come and join a team and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

Refreshments served during internal And prizes to be won. £5 per person

November 2022

A look at Life with the Recycled Teenager - The Remedy

One of the great things about being retired is that you can watch TV all day if you want to.

Don't be concerned! I've not succumbed to slobbing about on the sofa, eating toast in my jim-jams until lunch-time (well not every day).

However, there is one programme that has caught my attention, Ben Fogle's New Lives in the Wild. The premise of this series is that Ben visits and lives for a week with people who have for various reasons decided to abandon a conventional style of living for something different. The people he meets are off the beaten track, off grid and some would say off their heads.

I was struck by one individual woman who lives in the Arizona desert in a camper van. Unable to pay her bills, she lived for a while in her car before moving on to the relative comfort of a camper van that she refurbished herself and lives completely on state benefit. But this is no hard luck story. This woman is free, independent; no longer dogged by an abusive relationship or the constant worry of eviction. In short, she has taken control of her own life and as she warms herself each morning with a coffee, sitting in the rising sunshine, she knows that whatever comes her way, she has the resilience to cope with it.

We are reminded daily about how uncertain times have become. Were they not always so? We look back with rose-tinted lenses to life in the past, reminiscing about the 'good old days' when what we really mean is simpler days. I challenge myself to look at the expectations I have in life and whether the pursuit of those 'things' is not the very reason for life being complicated and overwhelming.

So what's the remedy? (Ahh! If only you could bottle it, you'd make a fortune!)

Although the answer may be simple it is often hard to do, especially if you are trying to fulfil the expectations of others. I find that I have to stand back, reassess what is really important to me and put my money, time and energy into those 'things'. I ask myself, how much pleasure is to be found in material possessions? Coming up to Christmas, most people will be asking, what do we really need to celebrate the season in style? I look to Christmas past and appreciate the fact that there wasn't much money about back then either. I got an apple and an orange in the toes of my tights and maybe a board game. One Christmas, the gift was a blonde-haired doll, bedecked in a ski outfit my mother had knitted and a dress besides. I have still got the unfortunate doll, who while still in one piece has suffered some serious DIY hairstyling.

I hope to be encouraging not preachy. Do not worry. Do what you can. I turn to Matthew 6:25-34 for inspiration. Verse 27 helps me re-evaluate my attitude. "Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?"

Leprosy Mission Boxes

All Leprosy Mission Boxes should be returned to Tommy Wilson or left in the Church porch during the month of November. If you are contributing by cheque, please make cheque payable to Dromore Cathedral.

If you would like to support Leprosy Mission by receiving a Mission Box, please get in touch with Tommy and he will arrange it. Thank you.

Clothes Recycling

Thank you to all who provided clothing for the recent recycling collection. The amount raises was £365.

We thank Ashley Silcock who organized this event.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Sincere thanks to those associated with the successful Coffee Morning which was held on Friday, 23rd September in the Clayton Hall. We also thank all who baked, gave donations of food/money and all who supported the event on the morning.

The total raised amounted to £693.19 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Harvest Offering

A very sincere thank you to everyone who has supported our Harvest Thanksgiving Appeal. The total to date is **£8,789**.

If you would like to support our Harvest Appeal and have not already done so, you can still do so by returning your Harvest envelope any Sunday or leaving in the Church Office.

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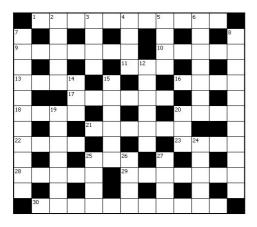
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Across

- 1 and 20 Down 'Lord of all _, Lord of all _, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy'(11,3)
- 9 Mosesí question to a fighting Hebrew labourer: 'Why are you _ your fellow Hebrew?" (Exodus 2:13) (7)
- 10 Acclaimed cellist who contracted multiple sclerosis at the height of her fame, Jacqueline _ (2,3)
- 11 'At even _ the sun was set, the sick, O Lord, around thee lay'(3)
- 13 A descendant of Gad (xNumbers 26:16) (4)
- 16 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but _ for the gift my Father promised' (Acts 1:4) (4)
- 17 Clambers (Jeremiah 48:44) (6)
- 18 Peter's response to questioning by the Sanhedrin: 'We must _God rather than men!'(Acts 5:29) (4)
- 20 Christian paraplegic author, artist and campaigner, _ Eareckson Tada (4)
- 21 Bird partial to the nests of other birds(6)
- 22 'Such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat _ _

- '(Matthew 13:2) (2,2)
- 23 Infectious tropical disease (4)
- 25 Tree (3)
- 28 'No fear of me should _ you, nor should my hand be heavy upon you' (Job 33:7) (5)
- 29 For example, to Titus, Timothy or Philemon (7)
- 30 Week beginning with Pentecost Sunday, according to the Church's calendar (11)

Down

- 2 'O Jerusalem _ how _I have longed to gather your children together' Matthew 23:37) (5)
- 3 Way out (4)
- 4 Exhort (Romans 12:1) (4)
- 5 Done (anag.) (4)
- 6 Highest of the four voice-parts in a choir (7)
- 7 Concerning the study of God (11)
- 8 Uniquely, it has Abbey, Cathedral and Chapel (11)
- 12 Admonish (Matthew 16:22) (6)
- 14 Frozen (3)
- 15 Established form of religious ceremony (6)
- 19 Inscription often found on gravestones (7)
- 20 See 1 Across
- 24 Behaved (Joshua 7:1) (5)
- 25 Time (anag.) (4)
- 26 Lists choice of meals (4)
- 27 'For the wages of sin is death, but the of God is eternal life in
 - Christ Jesus our Lord'(Romans 6:23) (4)

Ladies of Mothers' Union and MATCH enjoying fellowship at their Joint Meeting

We all had a great night at our joint Mothers' Union and MATCH meeting in October. Our speaker Edna Jeffryes entertained us with her stories of her trek from Wadi Rum to Petra across the Jordon Desert and showed us her photos. We meet next on the 30th November at our Christmas outing. We are having a meal and a tour of Brownlow House. We would welcome anyone in the Church family, so if you have not already put your name down and would like to go, please contact myself or Naomi to choose your menu. The cost of the evening is £21 to be paid in advance. **Anne Cochrane**



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	Services for l	November
Sunday 6th		
3rd Sunday before Advent	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	6.00pm	Praise, Prayer and Testimony
Sunday 13th		
2nd Sunday before Advent	8.30am	Holy Communion
	9.45am	Cathedral Praise
	10.45am	War Memorial - 2 minutes silence at 11.00
	11.30am	A Service of Remembrance
	6.00pm	Wider Act of Remembrance
Sunday 20th		
The Kingship of Christ	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise with Holy Communion
	11.30am	Service of the Word
	6.00pm	Evening Epilogue Service
Sunday 27th		
1st Sunday of Advent	8.30am	Holy Communion
,	10.00am	Family Service
	11.30am	Morning Prayer
	6.00pm	Evening Epilogue with Holy Communion

Cathedral Praise-Sunday 13th November

Please note that the time of Cathedral Praise on Remembrance Sunday, 13th November is at 9.45am and not the usual times of 10am. This is to allow us to make out way to the Cenotaph for the annual Act of Remembrance which commences at 10.45am. I hope to see you all there.

Church Collections: September				
GENERAL FUND	2022/23	2021/22		
September	8,081.00	8,098.50		
Total to date	£50,449.00	£48,781.20		
DEVELOPMENT FUND				
September	897.00	1,122.00		
Total to date	£5,221.25	£5,419.95		

PARISH REGISTER Christian Burial

11th October

Michelle Ogle, Jubilee Park, Dromore

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. They are blessed indeed, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labours."

Wider Act of Remembrance – Sunday 13th November at 6pm

Remembrance Sunday can be a particularly difficult day for many of us as we call to mind those loved ones who are no longer with us. As has been our custom in more recent years, as a church, we are providing a space for us to remember those who have passed on since last year, or indeed beyond, through our wider act of remembrance on the evening of Remembrance Sunday at 6pm in the Cathedral.

The service will consist of 2 hymns, a bible reading, a talk, prayers and a symbolic act of remembrance using a white rose. No one will feel obliged to participate, but our experience has been that a real measure of healing can come for those who do, as together we press a little further into God's grace.

Light refreshments will be served immediately following the service.

Flower Rota November	6th	13th	20th	27th
Mrs Beverley McClearn 028 9269 2820	Vacant	Mrs Ann Buchanan	Mrs Sadie Aiken	Mrs Stephanie Shepherd





		NOVEMBER DATES	
Tuesday 1st	10.30	Craft Class (each Tuesday)	Clayton Hall
Thursday 3rd	2.00	Monthly Service Mo	untvale Nursing Home
Saturday 5th	9.30	Alpha Holy Spirit day	Clayton Hall
Monday 7th	7.30	Evening Prayer Meeting	Clayton Hall
Wednesday 9th	10.00	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Wednesday 9th	7.30	Parish Bible Class	Clayton Hall
Thursday 10th	7.30	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Wednesday 16th	10.00	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Wednesday 16th	8.00	MATCH	Cathedral Hall
Thursday 17th	10.30	Parish Prayer Meeting	Clayton Hall
Thursday 17th	7.30	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Saturday 19th	10.00	Clothes Swap	Cathedral Hall
Wednesday 23rd	10.00	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Thursday 24th	7.30	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Friday 25th	7.30	Table quiz	Cathedral Hall
Monday 28th	8.00	Duty 6	Cathedral Hall
Wednesday 30th	10.00	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Thursday 1st	7.30	Alpha	Clayton Hall
Saturday 3rd	1.30	Seniors Afternoon Tea	Cathedral Hall

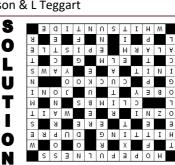
Seniors Afternoon Tea - Saturday 3rd December 1.30pm in Cathedral Hall

Names are needed by Sunday 27th November to assist with catering. Please do contact Jill in the Church Office (9269 3968) to book your place.

November	Refreshments Rota	
6th	S Shepherd & D Martin	
13th	th W Tate & C Mayne	
20th	S & J Noble	
27th	h Naomi Wilson & L Teggart	

Attention all Magazine Distributors

The December/January edition of our magazine will be ready for collection and distribution on Friday 2nd December with items for inclusion to be with Jill in the office by Friday 25th November at 1pm. Items can be sent to Jill by emailing - dromorecathedral@outlook.com





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Great Ormond Street Hospital

During the month of September Ronnie, Suzanne, Christine and myself took on the challenge of walking 60 miles in 30 days whilst getting sponsored for Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Along with friends from our church family, neighbours and the wider Dromore community we walked 2 miles every night at 7pm. The response each night was amazing with 60 people on first night and continuing until the 30th night with 130 friends walking with us.

Thank you to the young people from Kingdom Kids and PULSE who joined with us on a few nights. A great social event. We were able to donate £12,000.00 to this fabulous Hospital. A fantastic amount and we do it all in memory of a wonderful son, brother and friend to all, Paul Russell. #walkingforpaul xx Jane x



Praise, Prayer & Testimony – Sunday 4th December at 6pm

Praise, Prayer & Testimony is an informal service on the first Sunday evening of each month at which ordinary people speak of how an extraordinary God has been at work in their lives. The service is for absolutely everyone and the intention of each evening is to encourage and inspire each one of us to greater acts of faith. Our next evening will be at 6pm on Sunday 4th December with one of the leaders from our Youth Group PULSE sharing their testimony.

Harvest Celebration – Sunday 16th October 2022













A very sincere word of thanks to everyone who made our recent Harvest services such wonderful occasions. Thanks to our speakers, Canon Stephen Lowry and Rev Trevor McKeown. Thank you to those who contributed fruit, veg and flowers. Thank you to those who used their time and skills to decorate the Church so beautifully. Thank you to those who operated the AV system and made our experience of worship so much more pleasurable. Thank you to those who prepared the refreshments following our evening Harvest service. And thank you to each of you who attended and in doing so helped us all to give thanks with full and sincere hearts. All of the fruit and veg from our Harvest celebrations were donated to Via Wings to be distributed to those in need in our community.



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