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SUMMER 2024

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Dear friends

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." Mark 6: 31-32

Imagine a season of work which is so busy that you don't even have time to eat and then you will understand the setting which the apostles find themselves in. They have just returned from a time of mission and ministry whereby they are confronting the realms of darkness. In these places of conflict we not only confront brokenness and bring healing as we engage in a ministry of the spirit, but there is a physical cost for those who find themselves close to the point of exhaustion. Their reputation has spread and everyone is demanding the attention of the apostles to the point that they don't have any time for themselves, let alone those around them.

Jesus recognises the danger of this model of ministry without rest. Jesus cares about the consequences of working relentlessly without periods of rest to recharge us in body, mind and spirit. And so he invites the apostles to join him as he seeks out a place of solitude where they can be restored.

This restoration is essential if their ministry is to be both effective and sustained over the length of their lifetimes. And the same is true of us today. Ministry cannot be maintained over a prolonged period of time

without regular rest and relaxation. The summer time offers us all an opportunity for a different rhythm of ministry as we all “stand down” from the busyness of kingdom ministry, whether that be leaders in children’s or senior’s ministry. May we all seize the opportunities which the summer presents us with to find a quiet place, get some rest and encounter Jesus. Have a really restful and restorative summer time.

Geoff

Car Boot Sale for Maridi Team - Saturday 21st September

By now I’m sure that you are all aware that a team from our Parish are travelling to our link Diocese of Maridi in South Sudan in late October/early November of this year. Not everyone can support Maridi in this way, but everyone can support those going by getting behind some or all of the fundraisers which will be taking place to help raise 50% of the team costs (the team are personally responsible for the remaining 50% of the costs of the trip).

One of the fundraisers which the team are organizing is a Car Boot Sale on Saturday 21st September from 10am to 12.30pm in the Cathedral Hall car park. Cars are £10 with cars and trailers costing £20. Entry is £2 which will include a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit. If you don’t wish to bring a car, perhaps you might consider having a bit of a clear out and giving any unwanted but clean/serviceable items to the team to sell on the day as they will also have a table with all proceeds going to the trip (contact Geoff on 07808 844637 for more details). Please do support the team in whatever way you can as we seek to deepen our links with our brothers and sisters in Maridi.

Talent Show and Auction of Talents

Saturday 28th September is a date which I would encourage you to mark in diary as “not to be missed”. That evening in the Cathedral Hall at 7.30pm we will have an evening where folks will be able to display their talent, whatever that might be (within reason!) for all to see. If you are a child learning to play the piano, then we love to hear you play that evening. If you are an adult with a gift for reciting poetry, then we would love to hear you that evening. If you have a gift for singing or dancing, then we would love it if you would perform for us that evening. Everyone is welcome to perform, whether from within the Church family or indeed the wider community. Tickets will be priced at the bargain price of £10 with children at £5. During the course of the evening, there will also be an auction of talents. You could pick up a car valet, a hair cut, a night away in a caravan or have a meal for 2 in a restaurant and much, much more. All proceeds from this evening will go to support the team travelling to Maridi in October of this year. Tickets available from Jill in the Church Office.

What is Confirmation?

When we confirm something we say yes. At confirmation we say yes to Jesus' call to follow him on our journey through life. We confirm our faith in him. Parents and godparents will usually have said yes for us when we were babies and were unable to speak for ourselves at baptism, but confirmation gives us the chance to say yes.

If you would like to say yes to Jesus through confirmation, there will be an opportunity to do so on the afternoon of Sunday 17th November 2024 in the Cathedral. As a rule of thumb, candidates need to be of an age that they understand clearly what it is they are saying yes to, generally from age 14 and above, though there are individuals who clearly understand at a younger age. Confirmation isn't just limited to young people, as adults who have not yet been confirmed can choose to be confirmed in their faith, often at a much later stage in life.

If you would like to find out more about what is involved in being prepared for confirmation this November and whether it is right for you, then please do let Geoff know in order that adequate time is set aside for preparation for what should be a very special service in which you say to the world that you are choosing to follow Jesus.

Lap of the Lough - Saturday 14th September

This is a fundraiser for the team which will be travelling to Maridi in the autumn of this year, departing on Sunday 27th October and returning on Thursday 7th November. The Rector will cycle around Lough Neagh, a distance of around 110 miles.

If you would like to sponsor him, then simply place your name on the list in any of the porches or in the Church Office. If you are a UK taxpayer, by placing your address and postcode on the list and ticking the relevant box, we can reclaim tax from HMRC which you have already paid, at no additional cost to yourself.

If you would like to see the Rector off, he will be leaving the Clayton Hall car park at 9am on Saturday 14th September. More importantly for him though, he will be returning (DV) at around 6pm the same day, hopefully!

Creche and Kingdom Kids - Sunday 8th September 2024

Our creche for children aged 3 years and under will resume on Sunday 8th September in the craft room in the Cathedral Hall. Parents can either drop their child in the creche from 9.50am onwards or accompany their child to creche with the rest of the children when they leave for Kingdom Kids along with their leaders. All leaders will have completed an Access NI (Police) check and will complete all of the training necessary in order to participate in this important ministry. Kingdom Kids will also resume on the same morning.

Dromore Cathedral History Reading Group

The History Reading Group will hold their summer meeting on -

Wednesday 28th August 2024 at 7.30 pm. Venue - The Clayton Memorial Hall

The book that the group are reading in advance of this meeting is -

Caravaggio - A Life Sacred and Profane by Andrew Graham-Dixon

Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio was born in Milan in 1571 and died of a fever while on a journey from Naples to Rome in July 1610.

This book documents the turbulent life and the work of someone whose name would sit, with some considerable ease, on any list the greatest artists who have ever lived.

Two Caravaggio masterpieces will, effectively, be on our Dromore doorstep during the summer of 2024. Both are on temporary display at the Ulster Museum, Belfast until 1 September 2024.

The Supper at Emmaus (1601) - on loan from The National Gallery , London

The Taking of Christ (1602) - on loan from The Irish National Gallery, Dublin

The two masterpieces were painted for the same Roman patron and adorned the walls of a family palace. They have rarely been seen together since the early 17th century.

Over the summer period do take an opportunity to go and view what are two truly great works of art.

All are most welcome to join with the History Reading Group in late August to discuss the brief life and the outstanding work of the artistic genius that was Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio.

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A LOOK AT LIFE WITH THE RECYCLED TEENAGER- Repetition

I'm sure we are all familiar with the slogan on T-Shirts that encourages us to EAT. SLEEP. REPEAT. (Other versions are available!). Regardless of lifestyle we spend an awful amount of time repeating things.

Recently on holidays, I watched as an elderly Portuguese man raked the beach of seaweed. He was readying the beach for the tourists, who'd probably not know that he went out every morning to repeat this task. I spoke no Portuguese and he had no English but nevertheless we were able to communicate, that he thought I was mad to be paddling in the sea at 7.30am and I impressed upon him, that raking the beach of seaweed for it to re-establish itself on the next tide was even worse lunacy.

Still, I was impressed with his tenacity and just like the waves that repeatedly wash in and out along the shore, he came back day after day to perform what seemed to be a boring and mundane task.

This is our lives. We get up, we go out, we come back in again and go to bed. All the time spent on a daily basis in between usually becomes familiar and routine. However it is in those repetitive tasks that we serve others. Think what our lives would be like if the people we depended on, just didn't show.

Just the act of getting up in the morning may be difficult enough but its worth it. And what a privilege it is to keep repeating it.

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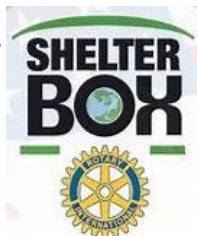
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SHELTERBOX Event held at Clanmurry in conjunction with Lagan Valley Rotary

Ever since I saw the ShelterBox tent in my Aunts' garden in Ayrshire, I wanted to do this in mine. The impact is immediate when you step inside the tent and you see the kit designed to help people survive conflict or disaster.

We are lucky enough to have a large mature garden which is especially beautiful in Spring. We knew if we timed it right, the Rhododendrons and Azaleas would be in full bloom. The most important thing was to have the ShelterBox tents up on the lawn with Kerr, the ShelterBox representative, to explain how it all works.



John and I loved holding this event. So many kind people came to help with teas and car parking etc. Others came to learn about ShelterBox and gave tremendously generous donations. The result is already getting urgent assistance to Gaza by providing shelter, mattresses, water filters, solar lights, kitchen sets etc. to families in desperate need. A huge THANK YOU to all who came and supported ShelterBox in our garden. **Sara McCorkell**

Pastoral Care

Since my institution in November 2016, pastoral care has been, and will remain, a number one priority. Since that time, I have put in place a system of visitation which, in more recent years, was largely overseen by the Rev Trevor McKeown. Consequently, those who are over 80, housebound or have a particular need have been visited around 5-6 times a year, or indeed more regularly if particular needs were identified. With the retirement of Trevor at the end of June, some of you may be wondering how this will impact visitation. I wish to reassure you that these visits will continue to be carried out, though perhaps not quite as frequently as previously; I would hope in the short term to be able to carry out these visits myself until such times as a suitably skilled and called individual is identified to assist with this important ministry. Should you become aware of someone who would benefit from a pastoral visit, please do let me know and I will endeavour to call as soon as practicable.

I will be on holiday from Tuesday 9th July to Tuesday 23rd July inclusive. Should you become aware of a pastoral emergency during this period please contact either of our Churchwardens (Alan Turkington on 07597 147294 or Andrew McNeill on 07428 433349) and they will arrange for someone to support you, whatever the need might be. **Geoff**



Organ Relay

Saturday 7th September
in Dromore Cathedral



Q: What is an organ relay?

A: It is like a recital, except a number of different organists play for a period of time, one after the other.

Q: How many organists will be taking part?

A: Currently we have 9 or maybe even 10 different organists taking part, each with a past or present connection to the Cathedral.

Q: What sort of music will be included?

A: Music will be sacred and secular, traditional and contemporary. There will also be an opportunity to submit some requests.

Exact times, duration and running order have still to be confirmed.

Please keep an eye on social media over the summer for more details, as well as in the September magazine, due at the end of August.

The audience can come and go as they please for the duration of the event and light refreshments will be available in the Cathedral.

All proceeds will go towards church funds and a collection box will be available at the event for everyone to contribute, if they wish.

We anticipate this will be a lovely time of music in a relaxed setting, please do come along.

Scott Mackey

MATCH

Thank you to those who joined with us on our last night of MATCH for a 'walk & chat' around Hillsborough Lake.

The weather was in our favour. Let's hope we get more good weather throughout the summer.



Finishing off the night with ice cream! Everyone is invited to a planning meeting of MATCH on Tuesday 20th August at 7.30pm in the Clayton Hall. Come and give your suggestions on what you would like in our monthly programme. Have a lovely summer.

Jane Russell

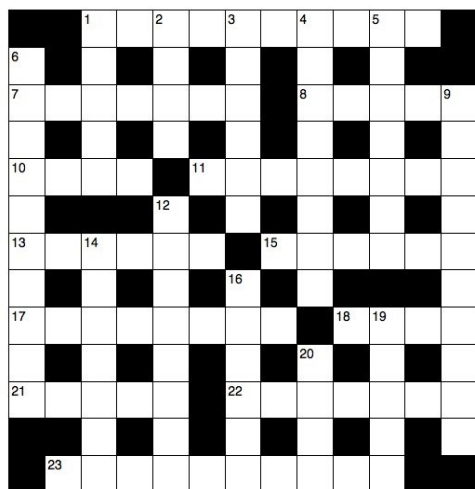
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Across

1 Relating to the Jewish day of rest (10)

7 Point of view (Matthew 22:17) (7)

8 20th-century Brethren philanthropist whose construction company became one of the UK's biggest, Sir John — (5)

10 Girl's name (4)

11 Peter was accused of being one in the courtyard of the high priest's house (Luke 22:59) (8)

13 The fifth of the 'seven churches' (Revelation 3:1–6) (6)

15 'Now the famine was — in Samaria' (1 Kings 18:2) (6)

17 Banned by the seventh Commandment (Exodus 20:14) (8)

18 Insect most closely associated with itching (1 Samuel 24:14) (4)

21 Bantu tribe which gives its name to tiny landlocked country in southern Africa (5)

22 Familiar material in churches that use an overhead projector (7)

23 Last book of the Bible (10)

Down

1 The young David's favourite weapon (1 Samuel 17:40) (5)

2 'Your vats will — over with new wine' (Proverbs 3:10) (4)

3 Once yearly (Exodus 30:10) (6)

4 Milled it (anag.) (3-5)

5 Region north of Damascus of which Lysanias was tetrarch (Luke 3:1) (7)

6 Comes between Philippians and 1 Thessalonians (10)

9 Lake where the first disciples were called (Luke 5:1–11) (10)

12 Abusive outburst (8)

14 Are loud (anag.) (7)

16 Printing errors (6)

19 'Take my yoke upon you and — from me' (Matthew 11:29) (5)

20 Jacob's third son (Genesis 29:34) (4)

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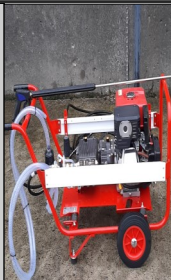
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Services for July and August

JULY

Sunday 7th July

6th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service with Holy Communion

Sunday 14th

7th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

Sunday 21st

8th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Service of The Word
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

Sunday 28th

9th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise <i>with</i> Holy Communion
	11.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

AUGUST

Sunday 4th August

10th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

Sunday 11th

11th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service <i>with</i> Holy Communion

Sunday 18th

12th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise <i>with</i> Holy Communion
	11.30am	Service of The Word
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

Sunday 25th

13th Sunday after Trinity	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Cathedral Praise
	11.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Summer Epilogue Service

PARISH REGISTER

Christian Burial

10th June Alexander Douglas Cranston, Cowan Heron House, Dromore

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

Church Collections: May

GENERAL FUND	2024/25	2023/24
May	8,601.00	7,913.50
Total to date	£16,552.50	£17,165.70
DEVELOPMENT FUND		
April	1,160.15	1,593.00
Total to date	£1,920.40	£2,369.25

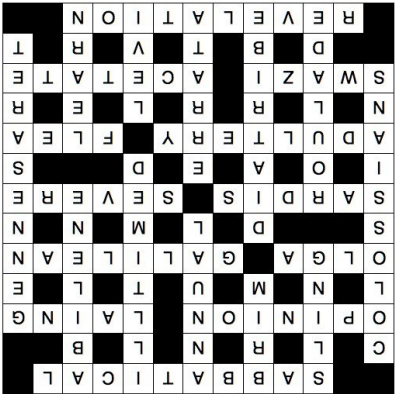
Cathedral Office Opening Hours - July

The Church Office will be open from 9am - 1pm on Monday and Friday only during the month of July. Normal office hours 9am - 1pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will resume from August onwards.

Attention all Magazine Distributors

The September edition of our magazine will be ready for collection and distribution on **Friday 30th August** with items for inclusion to be with Jill in the office by **Friday 23rd August at 1pm**. Items can be sent to Jill by emailing - dromorecathedral@outlook.com

Crossword Solution



July Caroline Wallace 9269 3506	Flower Rota	August Sara McCorkell 9269 3760	Flower Rota
7th	Mr & Mrs H Wallace	4th	Poots Family
14th	Mr & Mrs C Patterson	11th	Mrs Mabel Hobson
21st	Mrs Sarah Pollock	18th	Miss Jennifer Castles
28th	Mr & Mrs S Mackey	25th	Mr & Mrs I Doig

July	Refreshments Rota	August	Refreshments Rota
7th	S Shepherd & D Martin	4th	N Wilson & L Teggart
14th	D Farrell & H Forsythe	11th	K Chambers
21st	S & J Noble	18th	M Mayne & C Mayne
28th	M Brown & K Buchanan	25th	E Magowan & R Wilson

Evening Epilogue Service

Our Evening Epilogue Service starts at 7pm during the months of July and August. The Epilogue service is a quiet, reflective service with a shortened form of a Service of the Word, 3 hymns and a monthly celebration of the Holy Communion on the 2nd Sunday. We would encourage folks to engage with this service where the attendances tend to be lower than our morning services.

Gospel Concert - Friday 26th July 2024

Our Country Gospel evening with BBQ will be held Friday 26th July at 7.30pm in the Rectory garden. The evening will commence at 6.30pm with food being served on arrival with the concert commencing at 7.30pm.

We are very fortunate and privileged to have Canon David McBeth with us to minister in word and music. David is a Canon in St Columb's Cathedral, Londonderry and is a very accomplished, much sought after gospel singer in the North West having recorded a number of CDs.

Tickets are priced at £15 for adults and £5 for children and all proceeds from the evening will go to Parish funds. Tickets can be obtained from the Church Office or by placing your name on the list in the Church porch and will be on a first come basis.



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Parish Bible Class

Over the last few months, the Parish Bible Class has been studying the book of James and considering how Christianity is a practical calling. At Trevor and Joy's final Bible Class, they were presented with a picnic basket, an orchid plant, a plaque and a framed drone photograph of the Cathedral.

The Bible Class has been thriving in recent times, with upwards of 20-25 people attending each month. All the members are very thankful for Trevor's guidance, teaching and friendship, and will miss him and Joy immensely.



Children's Day 2024

Sincere thanks to all of our leaders and children (including Rev Carter!) who blessed us richly with their teaching on prayer through the story of Daniel.

Following our Children's Day service around 90 members of our Church family enjoyed their picnic in the surroundings of the Rectory garden.



Special Wedding Anniversaries

Donald and Beverley McClearn celebrate 50 years

Ashley and Joanne Silcock celebrate 40 years



JOY

A lovely afternoon was enjoyed by everyone at The Right Key in Loughbrickland. After refreshments we were treated to a tour of the building and took part in a music workshop. Thank you to Sheila Smyth and her staff for their hospitality. Wishing all our JOY friends a good summer. **Jane & Beverley**



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