

April 2025 Monthly News-sheet
St. Patrick's and St. Andrew's



All April Services on back page!

Sunday morning prayer!

What better way to settle ourselves before the Sunday morning service than to take 10 minutes in stillness and prayer. You are welcome to join us in the Side Chapel from around 9.40am so please feel free to slip in during that time. We will aim to be in our seats by 9.55pm. - Thanks.

*Parish Prayers continue each Tuesday in St. Andrew's Ballysally at 7pm
please join us, everyone welcome.
(No prayers this Tuesday April 1st)*

Wednesday Communion continues 1pm
[No Communion Easter Wednesday 23rd April]



Prayer Corner

As you know we have a Prayer Corner at the front of the church on your right. This is a place where you can pray on your own or you can leave a request for a loved one or yourself. There is paper to write on and a basket to leave your request. These requests are regularly lifted to the Lord as we ask Him to bless and heal those named. Please avail yourself of this opportunity to pray for yourself and for anyone known to you who is in need. Even if you don't have a request, please pray for those who do. The Lord hears when we call on His name.



Dorothy Sharpe on her 90th birthday with her family gathered around her.

You may notice a couple of interlopers



April Prayer Points

'[Jesus] knelt down and prayed, 'Father if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine. Then an angel from heaven appeared and strengthened him.' (Luke 22:41 NLT)

For our Parish

Give thanks for all who serve our church, for clergy, vestry and volunteers. Pray for encouragement, inspiration and stamina for them.

Pray for the Easter Vestry meeting on Tuesday 29th April. Pray for men and women to be willing to serve on the Select Vestry for the coming year; for unity and wisdom in the election of these people.

Give thanks for Walter and Philip's teaching on Sunday evenings during Lent. Pray that many would participate and welcome this opportunity to learn.

Pray for God to be glorified in our Easter services.

Pray for guidance and protection for Bishop George and those solving the problems we have in our parish.

For our community

Thank God for those who work for our community.

Ask God to protect and bless our health workers, street pastors, emergency services, councillors, teachers and those who provide employment.

Pray for those who will visit the North Coast over Easter, for safety on our roads and around water. Pray for responsible behaviour. Ask God to help young people stay safe.

For our world

Pray for wisdom and integrity in our leaders, particularly in their efforts to bring peace.

Pray for a desire to save our planet and to leave a better world for future generations.

Pray for willingness to help the suffering and needy.

For our mission partners

 Please continue to pray for:

Rick & Alana Creighton (Crosslinks Nigeria)

Claire Holmes (SAMS & Prison Fellowship NI)

Walter & Claire McConnell (OMF Singapore)

Andrew and Joanne Quill (CMSI South Sudan)

Trevor & Andrea Watson (Crosslinks Sweden)

(More information is available on the Mission Table at the back of the church.)

For ourselves

Pray that this Easter we would rejoice in what Jesus has done for us and live for him.

Pray for those who haven't yet experienced the fullness of life in Christ.

Pray for those who are struggling and also for ourselves in the knowledge that 'God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble.' (Psalm 46:1 NLT)



Another great night of fun and fellowship
getting their faces ready for bed!!



***Our banner was spotted at the Festival Service in
St. Anne's Cathedral***

Mother's Union's Next Meeting: St. Andrew's 7.30pm

We will be filling emergency sponge bags for use in Causeway Hospital. Please bring a few items from the following list or leave in box at back of church. Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Comb or brush, Deodorant, Tissues, Mini shower gel. All donations gratefully received. Thank you.

We will also have an Easter reflection by Roslyn Graham, North Connor Area Chairperson.

Join us Join in! All welcome.

Flowers in St. Patrick's this week are from Mothers' Union and St. Andrew's are from Evelyn Woods in memory of her husband.





The Coleraine and District Battalion of the Boys Brigade

80th Anniversary Parade & Service, Terrace
Row Presbyterian Church Coleraine.
Sunday the 6th April at 3.30pm

The Parade of Company and Junior Sections boys will form up in Waterside Car Park at 2:45pm.

To mark this significant anniversary "Old Boys" of our Companies and former Battalion Office Bearers are also invited to join the Parade at either Waterside Car Park at 2.45pm, or at the Long Commons Car Park at 3:10pm.

Please make this Service and Parade widely known and encourage others to take part.

Easter gift day

For our Easter Gift Day this year, the Select Vestry has requested that we support the excellent new work of Gathered Partnership led by Jonny Diamond for our young people on the North Coast. We have joined with the parishes of Dunluce, Ballyrashane and Kildollagh, Dunseverick, Ballintoy and Rathlin Island and together we cover the costs involved in his part-time salary. As Dunluce and ourselves are by far the largest parishes in the Partnership, we will each be paying 40% of the costs and Jonathan's time will be apportioned accordingly.

Pioneer Ministry is a new initiative of the Representative Church Body of the Church of Ireland and we have applied to be a part of that. If we are accepted, we will have Jonny working full-time instead of part-time as at present. The partnership parishes will only have to cover half of his salary and his Gathered-related expenses and the Pioneer Ministry Committee will pay the other half of his salary for the next 5 years and also all the costs related to Jonny's training as a Pioneer Minister.

Envelopes will be available at the back of church during April for our gifts.



Do you remember?



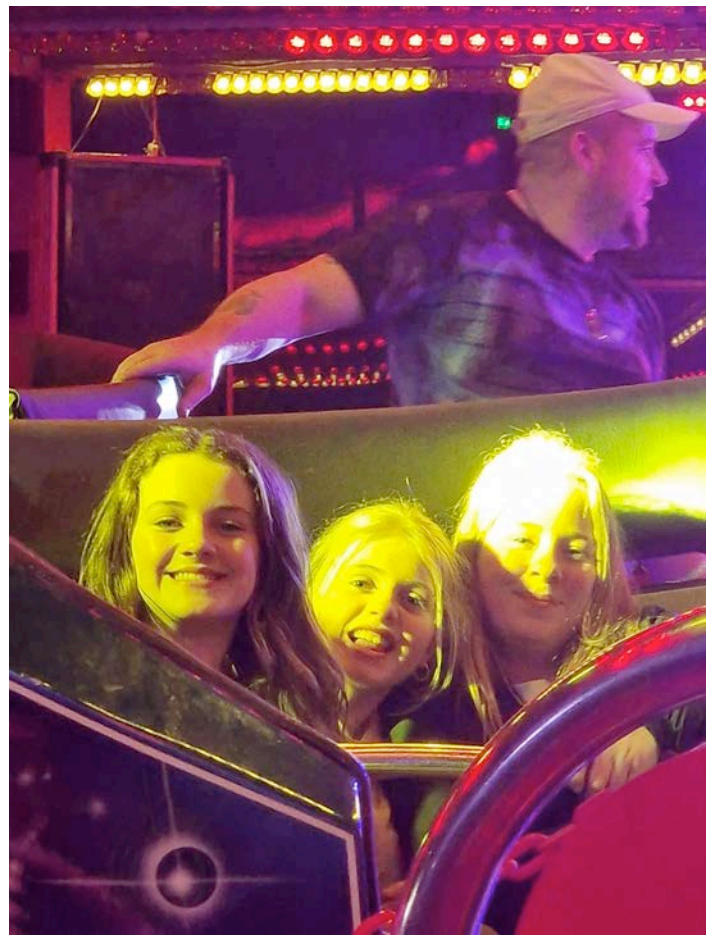
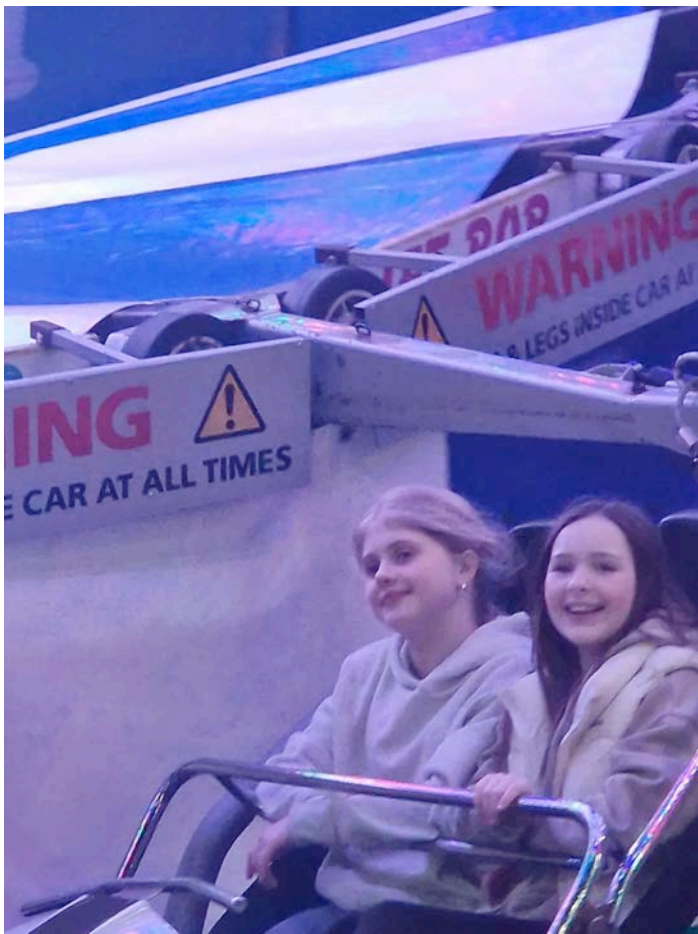
See anyone you know here?



What's wrong with my sermons?



New Creations??



The Girls Brigade had a fun night at the funfair and the little ones had their PJ Party.

THE CRUCIFIXION

A MEDITATION

ON THE

SACRED PASSION OF THE HOLY REDEEMER

Words selected and written by the Reverend J. Sparrow-Simpson, M.A.

Presented by St. Patrick's Church Choir
& Guests

Good Friday 18th April

7.30pm

Soloists

Tenor - Glenn Tweedie

Bass - Matthew Quirk

Organ - Andrew Harrison

Musical Director - Tony Morrison

St. Patrick's Church Coleraine

Free Admission



The choir are busy preparing....





An after-Easter prayer

Don't leave our Lord amidst the lilies
Within a hallowed sphere
Don't praise Him only in your churches
In Easter hymn and prayer...

Keep Him beside you through
The business of ordinary days,
In the common place encounters
Along the humdrum ways.

Our Master told us very simply
What He would have us do....
He taught: "Love one another
Even as I love you."

By Elsie Campbell



Root & Branch

CMJ Ireland Conference



Guest
Speakers



Samuel Clough
CMJ Israel



Oliver Sims
CMJ Ireland

**Friday 11th & Saturday
12th April 2025**

**Full
Programme
Overleaf!**

Venue: Ballymoney Elim Church, Knock Rd,
Ballymoney, BT53 6LX

Contact:
davidsonpatricia@hotmail.com

Root & Branch Conference Itinerary

Friday 11th April 7:30pm — 9:30pm

Welcome: Billy Holmes

Worship: Causeway Coast Worship

Session 1: What Does God Think About Israel? (Samuel)

Session 2: The New Testament Through Jewish Eyes (Oliver)

Doors
Open
7pm

Saturday 12th April 10:00am — 4:30pm

Welcome & Opening Prayers: Billy Holmes

Session 3: The Gospel Through Jewish Eyes (Oliver)

Session 4: What Should Christians Think About Israel? (Samuel)

Lunch Break: 12:30pm — 2pm

Please Bring Your Own Lunch — Teas & Coffees Provided

Worship: Causeway Coast Worship

Session 5: Root & Branch; One In Messiah

Coffee Break: 3pm

Q & A Workshops: Your Chance For Questions

Worship & Close by 4:30pm

Join Us
at
10am



Kindly Hosted by: Ballymoney Elim Church,
Knock Rd, Ballymoney, BT53 6LX

NB Sessions & times may alter slight

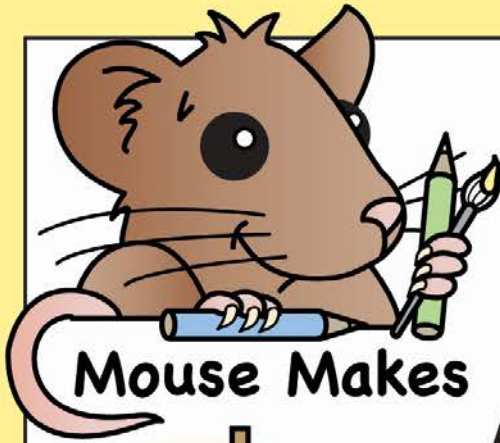


If you or anyone you know would be considering Confirmation this Autumn please contact Alice, Jonny or the office.

Reminder!

The Select Vestry is considering appointing a part-time Sexton and would welcome any expressions of interest, which should be made through the Parish Office (028 7034 4213/

admin@stpats.co.uk).



Mouse Makes

On the cross Jesus opened wide his arms for us.
 Jesus put an end to death by dying for us,
 and showed us the resurrection to
 come by His raising to new life!



Jesus is risen!

The angel said:
 "Jesus ...is not here, for He
 has risen, just as He said."
Matthew 28:6

Jesus is here

Jesus said:
 "Where two or three
 come together
 in my name I am
 there with them."
Matthew 18:20



READ the story of
 the resurrection in:
Matthew 28:1-10
Mark 16:1-19
Luke 24:1-49
John 20:1-29
 and **21:1-14**

R E D E E M E R
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Jesus will come again!

Jesus said:
 "I will come back
 and take you to
 myself so that you
 will be where I am."
John 14:3



JESUS • ALIVE • RISEN
 LORD • SAVIOUR • KING
 RESURRECTION
 PEACE • NEW LIFE • JOY • GOOD NEWS



MESSIAH • REDEEMER
 CHRIST • SON OF GOD
 HOSANNA • PRAISE
 GO TELL • EASTER





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ST PATRICK'S & ST ANDREW'S

WEDNESDAY 2nd April – ST PATRICK'S 1.00pm HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Robert Simpson

SUNDAY – 6th April

SEASON: PASSION SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOUR WHITE

ST PATRICK'S 10.00am

ST ANDREW'S, Ballysally 11.30am

HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Ian Ballentine

HOLY COMMUNION Canon John McCammon

WEDNESDAY – 9th April ST PATRICK'S 1.00pm HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Ian Ballentine

SUNDAY – 13th April

SEASON: PALM SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOUR WHITE

ST PATRICK'S 10.00pm

ST ANDREW'S, Ballysally 11.30am

MORNING PRAYER Canon Stuart Lloyd

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WEDNESDAY – 16th April ST PATRICK'S 1.00pm HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Robert Simpson

MAUNDY THURSDAY - HOLY COMMUNION 7PM REV. ROBERT SIMPSON

GOOD FRIDAY AT THE CROSS REV. IAN BALLENTINE 1PM

GOOD FRIDAY STAINER'S CRUCIFIXION 7.30PM

SUNDAY – 20th April

SEASON: EASTER SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOUR WHITE

ST PATRICK'S 10.00pm

ST ANDREW'S, Ballysally 11.30am

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WEDNESDAY – 23rd April ST PATRICK'S NO HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY – 27th April EASTER 1

SEASON: 3rd Sunday in Lent

LITURGICAL COLOUR VIOLET

ST PATRICK'S 10.00pm

ST ANDREW'S, Ballysally 11.30am

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WEDNESDAY – 30th April ST PATRICK'S 1.00pm HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Frances Bach