



Anglican Communion - Church of Ireland - Diocese of Clogher

## Carrickmacross, Magheracloone and Ardragh Group of Parishes



St. Finbarr's Carrickmacross, St. Molua's Magheracloone, St. Patrick's Ardragh



# Newsletter

June 2013

## Worship

### Midweek Communion

Each Wednesday in June at 10.30am there will be a short celebration of Holy Communion in St. Finbarr's, Carrickmacross.

### St. Maeldoid's

The annual Friends of St. Maeldoid's Church, Castleblayney will be held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm. The preacher will be the Dean of Clogher, the Very Rev Kenneth Hall. Everyone is warmly invited to come and there are refreshments after the service.

## Reports

### Cabra School

During the past month there has been a 'Whole School Inspection' of the school. This is an in-depth examination of all aspects of the school undertaken by the Department of Education Inspectors. The verbal report to the Board of Management which will be

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followed by the written report was exceptionally good and we congratulate Mrs Rountree and her staff on this achievement.

## Parish News

### St. Finbarr's Ramp

The Select Vestry has accepted one of the four tenders for the work of building a ramp and realigning the steps at the entrance to St. Finbarr's. It will be good to get this work done after so many years of set-backs and we thank those who have seen it through planning this time round. The work may cause some access problems over the coming weeks but we hope that everyone will accept these minor inconveniences.

### Parish Outing

Magheracloone are hosting an outing for the whole Group on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July starting about 9.30am from Kingscourt with pick-up points in Magheracloone and Carrickmacross. To cost is €25 which includes the cost of the bus and entry to the Folk Park in Omagh. Tickets are available from Gail Babington.

## Barbecue

All four hundred tickets sold out quickly for this event and we are sorry to hear that so many were disappointed in not getting one. The main concern now is that we get good weather and that everyone who has offered to help will be fit to do so on the night. It is a big undertaking but the preparations by the organising sub-committee have been meticulous and we pray hard now that all will go well on the night.

## Diocesan News

### G8 Prayer

There will be a Pre G8 Service on Sunday 16th June at 3.00pm in St Macartin's Cathedral (overflow to St Michael's). The service is being organised by Enough Food for Everyone IF. Enough Food for Everyone IF is a coalition of over 200 organisations across the UK and Ireland, including Christian Aid, Tearfund and Trócaire. They have come together to send a strong message to the G8 leaders as they meet at the Lough Erne resort, calling for them to take urgent action to tackle some of the root causes of hunger in our world. This service, on the eve of the G8, will be an opportunity to pray and act in solidarity with the one in eight people who go hungry every night and to add your voice to those calling for action at the G8 summit. You will hear visiting speakers from India and Zambia as well as our keynote speaker the Archbishop of York, The Most Rev Dr John Sentamu. Music will be provided by the Ulster Orchestra, The Three

Priests and classical singer Diane Petherick.

## Organisations

### MU Dinner

The MU and Friends brought their years activities to an end with a dinner in the Nuremore on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The next meeting will be on 19th September to arrange the next years programme. A presentation was made to Rosemary and she would like to thank everyone for it and all the support over the past six years.

### Bowls

We would like to thank the members of Carrickmacross Club for the momentos they presented us with at their closing meal out. We have enjoyed our time at the club.

## Notices

### Open Day

The Monaghan Protestant Orphan Society are having a fund raising event in Bishops court, Clones on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30am to lunchtime by kind permission.

### Kids Garden Workshop

Saturday, June 8, 2013 11:00am until  
11:35am

Hill's Country Garden Centre

Great way to get your kids interested in the garden. Fun, activity and they'll have their planted pot to take home with them. Parents must stay for class, but don't worry u can enjoy a cuppa and a stroll around the garden centre. Class approximately half hour. €6 per

## THIS MONTH

Wednesday	5th	10.30am	Midweek Communion, St. Finbarr's
Friday	7th	10.30am	Open Day at Bishops court, Clones
Sunday	9th	3.00pm	Friends Service, St. Maeldoid's, C'blayney
Wednesday	12th	10.30am	Midweek Communion, St. Finbarr's
Wednesday	19th	10.30am	Midweek Communion, St. Finbarr's
Thursday	20th		Workparty to prepare for Barbecue
Friday	21st		Workparty to prepare for Barbecue
Saturday	22nd	6.30pm	Barbecue at Lough Fea
Tuesday	25th	9.00pm	Select Vestry, Carrickmacross
Wednesday	26th	10.30am	Midweek Communion, St. Finbarr's

## NEXT MONTH

Saturday	6th		Magheracloune Parish Outing
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child, €10 for 2. limited space, booking essential

## Articles

### SLEEP WHEN THE WIND BLOWS?

Years ago a farmer owned land along the Atlantic coast. He constantly advertised for hired hands. Most people were reluctant to work on farms along the Atlantic. They dreaded the awful storms that raged across the Atlantic, wreaking havoc on the buildings and crops.

As the farmer interviewed applicants for the job, he received a steady stream of refusals. Finally, a short, thin man, well past middle age, approached the farmer. "Are you a good farmhand?" the farmer asked him. "Well, I can sleep when the wind blows," answered the little man. Although puzzled by this answer, the farmer, desperate for help, hired him.

The little man worked well around the farm, busy from dawn to dusk, and the farmer felt satisfied with the man's work.

Then one night the wind howled loudly in from offshore. Jumping out of bed, the farmer grabbed a lantern and rushed next door to the hiredhand's sleeping quarters. He shook the little man and yelled, "Get up! A storm is coming! Tie things down before they blow away!" The little man rolled over in bed and said firmly, "No sir. I told you, I can sleep when the wind blows."

Enraged by the response, the farmer was tempted to fire him on the spot. Instead, he hurried outside to prepare for the storm. To his amazement, he discovered that all of the haystacks had been covered with tarpaulins. The cows were in the barn, the chickens were in the coops, and the doors were barred. The shutters were tightly secured. Everything was tied down. Nothing could blow away. The farmer then understood what his hired hand meant, so he returned to his bed to also sleep while the wind blew.

Rosaleen Colman

## Sunday Services

### ***2<sup>nd</sup> June 2013, 1st Sunday after Trinity, Proper 4 (Green)***

1 Kings 18.20-21,30-39, Psalm 96, Galatians 1.1-12, Luke 7.1-10

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Rector
Magheracluone	11.45am	MP	Mrs D. Monahan
Ardragh	1.00pm	HC	Rector

### ***9<sup>th</sup> June 2013, 2nd Sunday after Trinity, Proper 5 (Green)***

1 Kings 17.8-16, Psalm 146, Galatians 1.11-24, Luke 7.11-17

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	Family	Mr A. Hill
Magheracluone	11.45am	HC	Rector

### ***16<sup>th</sup> June 2013, 3rd Sunday after Trinity, Proper 6 (Green)***

1 Kings 21.1-10, Psalm 5.1-8, Galatians 2.15-21, Luke 7.36-8.3

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mrs D. Monahan
Magheracluone	11.45am	MP	Rector
Ardragh	1.00pm	HC	Rector

### ***23rd June 2013, 4th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 7 (Green)***

1 Kings 19.1-4, 8-15a, Psalm 42, 43, Galatians 3.23-29, Luke 8.26-29

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mrs Florence Collins
Magheracluone	11.45pm	MP	Rector

### ***30<sup>th</sup> June 2013, 5th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 8 (Green)***

2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14, Psalm 77.1-2, 11-20, Galatians 5.1, 13-25, Luke 9.51-62

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Mrs D. Monahan
Magheracluone	11.45am	MP	Rector

## Parish Ministry Team

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