



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

February 2011

## Worship

### Prayer Time

This will be held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 9pm in St. Finbarr's. This month the Rector will be at the 'Wells Project' service in Clogher and one of the members of the group will be leading the prayers.

### Music Review

We will have a session in St. Finbarr's on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm to look at the hymns for the next six weeks or so.

### Wells Project

This is the name of a project being started by the Youth Council in the Diocese to begin some new youth work with the new youth officer. There will be a special service on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in Clogher Cathedral led by the Bishop and the Dean with choirs from across the Diocese taking part. The

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collection at this service will be for the 'Wells Project' and we hope that there will be good support from all across the diocese for this service.

## Parish News

### Confirmation

It is two years since we had a confirmation service and we are asking that if anyone is thinking about making an adult commitment to the faith through our church they would contact the Rector.

### Magazine Fees

Just another reminder that if you take the Diocesan magazine and have not year paid for 2011 (or 2010 for that matter) you get in touch with Alan Sweetnam as soon as possible please.

### Study Group

After our mid-winter break our fortnightly meetings will re-start on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm in the Parish Room. We will be studying the Parables of Jesus.

## Reports

### Unity Week

The service in St. Joseph's was quite

well attended and we express our gratitude to Mgr Connolly who hosted it and invited the congregation back to the hostelry across the road for a very lavish supper. We are grateful to Eleanor Howell for leading the prayers and to those who parishioners who attended and extended the hand of friendship to those from other Christian traditions in the area.

## Diocesan News

### Bishop

No doubt everyone has heard by now that our Bishop, Michael Jackson has been appointed Archbishop of Dublin. We wish him well in his new responsibilities which make him the senior bishop south of the border.

Clogher diocese elects a commission every three years who have the responsibility with representatives of the Church to find a new Bishop. The last commission was elected in 2008 so they will have this task to do just before their three year term ends in September. Lets pray for them as they make this important choice.

### Youth Officer

The diocese has appointed a full time Youth Officer who will shortly be taking up his duties. He is Johnny Phenix who is the youth worker with Ardess Parish and Kesh Methodist church. He has a great deal of experience in teaching and youth work and he will be working full time to build up youth work both North and South in Clogher.

## People

### Sick

We continue to pray for those who are unwell and in particular over the past fortnight we have been praying for Emily and her family.

## Organisations

### MU and Friends

The next meeting is on the 17<sup>th</sup> February in the Parish Room beside the church in Carrickmacross. We have two interesting talks lined up. First, Rachael Hill and Lorna Moys will give a talk about the young families conference they attended recently. The Emma Merrin and Dasha Ivanova will give a talk about substance abuse. We thank our speakers for being willing to do this and we hope there will be a good attendance.

### Table Tennis

We now have so many teams its getting hard to keep track of all the matches. We really thank those who are putting in so much effort to make the club such a success. These are some of the results:

Our Division 7 team beat Monaghan Div.6 7-3 in the Cup  
 Div.6 beat Monaghan 24-7 in the League  
 Div.6 lost to Drum 27-9 in League  
 Div.6 lost to Drum 10-0 in League  
 Div.6 lost to Belturbet 25-15 League  
 Div.7 lost to Drung'A' 20-16 League  
 Div.7 beat Drung'B' 21-14 in League  
 Div.8 lost to B'boro 18-17 League

## THIS MONTH

Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Service, St. Finbarr's
		2.00pm	Holy Communion, Castleross
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
Monday	7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Study Group, Parish Room
Wednesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Service, St. Finbarr's
Friday	11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
		8.00pm	Heritage Meeting in Magheracluone
Sunday	13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	9.00pm Prayer time in St. Finbarr's
Wednesday	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Service, St. Finbarr's
Thursday	17 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	MU and Friends in the Parish Room CMX
		8.00pm	Institution of Rev Henry Blair in Ardess
Friday	18 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
Monday	21 <sup>st</sup>	8.00pm	Study Group, Parish Room
Wednesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Service, St. Finbarr's

## NEXT MONTH

Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Service, St. Finbarr's
		2.00pm	Holy Communion, Castleross
Monday	7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Carrickmacross Select Vestry
Wednesday	9 <sup>th</sup>		Ash Wednesday
Monday	14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Study Group, Parish Room
Monday	28 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Study Group, Parish Room

## COMING SOON

Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Mothering Sunday
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Good Friday
Sunday	24 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Sunday

Div.8 beat B'boro 21-18 in League  
 Div.8 lost to Monaghan Div.9 7-3 in Cup  
 Div.8 beat Drung 30-1 in League  
 Div.9 beat Doohat 20-12 in League  
 Div.9 lost to Monaghan 30-0 League  
 Div.9 lost to Drum 29-5 in League  
 Div.8 beat Corranearry 30-2 League  
 Div.9 lost to Corranearry Div.8 8-2 Cup  
 Div.7 lost to Drum Div.5 9-1 in Cup.

### Bowls Club

There are a number of matches lined up for February in what is proving a very busy and enjoyable season. On Wednesdays the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> we play at home with Billyhill and Billis. On Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> we have an away match with St. Patrick's and there is a club night on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. In March we play Dundalk at home on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Sunday Services

### **6<sup>th</sup> February 2011, Proper 0**

**(Green)**

Isaiah 58.1-9a, Psalm 122.1-9, 1 Corinthians 2.1-12, Matthew 5.13-20

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Rector
Magheracloune	11.45am	MP	Rector
Ardragh	1.00pm	HC	Rector

### **13<sup>th</sup> February 2011, Proper 1**

**(Green)**

Deuteronomy 30.15-20, Psalm 119.1-8, 1 Cor.3.1-9, Matthew 5.21-37

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Rector
Magheracloune	11.45am	HC	Rector

### **20<sup>th</sup> February 2011, Proper 2**

**(Green)**

Leviticus 19.1-2,9-18, Psalm 119.33-40, Matthew 5.38-48

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Rector
Magheracloune	11.45am	MP	Rector
Ardragh	1.00pm	MP	Rector

### **27<sup>th</sup> February 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent (Green)**

Genesis 1.1-2.3, Psalm 136, Romans 8.18-25, Matthew 6.25-34

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr K. Browne
Magheracloune	11.45am	MP	Mr K. Browne

### **6<sup>th</sup> March 2011, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday before Lent (Green)**

Exodus 24.12-18, Psalm 2, 2 Peter 1.16-21, Matthew 17.1-19

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Rector
Magheracloune	11.45am	MP	Rector
Ardragh	1.00pm	HC	Rector

## Parish Ministry Team

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