



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

July / August 2013

Worship

New Schedule

The summer rota is printed at the back of this newsletter and we hope everyone will take note of it. Carrickmacross stays with the regular 10.30am service time while Ardragh and Magheracloone will alternate at 11.45am.

Parish News

Vacancy

Mr Kingston has retired from the full-time ministry of the Church of Ireland as from the 8th July and is moving to the Mageough Home in Dublin as Chaplain. Initially arrangements for worship will be made by the Diocesan Office in consultation with the Rural Dean, Canon Ian Berry. Pastoral matters will also be dealt with initially by the Rural Dean. The Diocesan Secretary has distributed the list of services which we have included in this newsletter.

Ramp

We are really delighted to be able to report that the ramp up to St. Finbarr's church is finally taking shape and are grateful to the Glebe Warden's who have done the heavy lifting in getting this project finalised. Hopefully it will soon be completed. This will make access to the church for wheelchairs, older people and the carrying of coffins into the church much easier. The most successful Barbecue will go a long way to paying for this,

Webcam

Carrickmacross Chamber of Commerce, with the permission of the Select Vestry, the Diocesan Council and the RCB are putting a webcam in the tower of St. Finbarr's which will soon provide pictures of the Main Street on the carrickmacross.ie website. A similar camera is to be put on the Courthouse so that there will be views of the town available from

either end.

Reports

Presentation

On Sunday 30th June at the end of the Family Service the parishioners of St. Finbarr's presented the Rector and Rosemary Kingston with gifts to mark their retirement from the parochial ministry. Mr Alan Sweetnam outlined the highlights of the past few years and made the presentation to Mr Kingston. The Sunday School presented Mrs Kingston with flowers and a lovely book they had made.

Robert and Rosemary thank everyone who has given us cards and gifts and wished us well including the Table Tennis club for their card to mark our retirement.

Barbecue

The Barbecue at Lough Fea on the 22nd June made in the region of E12000 which is an absolutely stunning result and should more than cover the cost of the access ramp to St. Finbarr's. We thank Mr Philip Shirley for his permission to use his grounds and Great Hall, to Mr Freddy Merrin who approached him about it and did a huge amount of planning and preparation work for the event. He

was joined by an army of parishioners all of whom did sterling work and to whom we are most grateful. In particular we would like to thank the younger people who got involved with a heart and a half beforehand and on night and who returned to help tidy up afterwards. It was a hectic but by all accounts most enjoyable event and certainly the outcome for the parish is a big help to the funds.

People

Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to Niamh McElwaine and her family on the sad death of her father in hospital in Dublin on the 4th of July.

Holy Baptism

On Sunday 23rd June we had the rare pleasure of welcoming two people into the Church. At the first ceremony Gemma Moya McElwaine, daughter of Niamh and Philip and sister of Tristan and Rebecca was baptised in St. Finbarr's. Later the same day Cathering and Trevor Merrin's daughter Lucy Charlotte was baptised. We share a wonderful responsibility with the parents and godparents when we admit new members to the church and we

pray we will be up to the task, by God's grace, of helping them to grow in faith on into the future.

Exams

Congratulations to our young people who have completed the state and college exams having put in so much hard work which we pray will be well rewarded.

Sickness

A number of people, young and older are dealing with long term illness and we assure them and their families of our ongoing prayers for them.

Wedding

Congratulations to Lindsey Babington and Kevin McEntee who were married in St. Molua's Church, Magheracloune on the 8th June. They will be returning soon to Eindhoven in Holland where Kevin is a robotics engineer with a major company. They are a lovely, talented, couple and it is sad to think there is no suitable work for them in their own country. May God bless them in whatever the future may bring.

Notices

Seniors and Friends

Magheracloune Seniors and Friends: Three night 4 day trip is taking place from Monday August

19th to Thursday 22nd inclusive. This year we are heading to The Celtic Cross Hotel, Rosscarbery, West Cork. Cost €255 per person sharing and €275 for a single room. This includes 3 Bed & Breakfasts, 3 Evening Meals, Bus trips for 3 days while in West Cork, taking in Michael Collins centre and an evening meal on arrival back in Carrickmacross on Thursday evening. €50 deposit will secure a place.

Contact Anna 087 9766582, Marie 086 6076751, Ann 087 6215786 or Bernie 086 8199456.

Diocesan Magazine

We get a dozen or so copies of the Diocesan Magazine each month (except August and January). They are delivered free of charge to the Christian Bookshop in Monaghan and need to be collected there for distribution around the Parish. In recent years the Rector has done this little job and we need someone to do it in September. Does anyone go to Monaghan on the Friday before the first Sunday of each month who would they have the time to drop into the shop (on the little street between the Market and the Diamond) and pick them up for bringing to Carrickmacross?

Sunday Services

7th July 2013, 6th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 8 Yr.C (Green)

Carrickmacross	8.00am	HC	Rector
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Magheraclone	11.45am	HC	Rector
Ardragh	1.00pm	HC	Rector

14th July 2013, 7th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 9

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Keith Browne
Magheraclone	11.45am	MP	Mr Keith Browne

21st July 2013, 8th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 10

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Keith Browne
Ardragh	11.45am	MP	Mr Keith Browne

28th July 2013, 9th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 11

Carrickmacross	10.30am	HC	Rev Charles McCollum
Magheraclone	11.45am	HC	Rev Charles McCollum

4th August 2013, 10th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 12

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Keith Browne
Ardragh	11.45am	MP	Mr Keith Browne

11th August 2013, 11th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 13

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Roy Crowe
Magheraclone	11.45am	MP	Mr Roy Crowe

18th August 2013, 12th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 14

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Walter Pringle
Ardragh	11.45am	MP	Mr Walter Pringle

25th August 2013, 13th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 15

Carrickmacross	10.30am	MP	Mr Keith Browne
Magheraclone	11.45am	MP	Mr Keith Browne

Parish Ministry

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