



Anglican Communion – Church of Ireland – Diocese of Clogher

Carrickmacross and Magheracluone with Ardragh Group of Parishes



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



Newsletter

March 2010

Worship

Confirmation

We are preparing to welcome Bishop Jackson for the Confirmation Service on Sunday 7th March at 11.30am in Carrickmacross. This will be the only service in the group on that Sunday and we hope that there will be good support from the whole group for our candidates. Classes continue each Monday night. Please pray for George, Linda, Matthew, Lorna and Grace during this time of preparation.

Midweek Communion

These will be held on Wednesday 3rd, 10th, 17th 24th and 31st March at 10.30am in St. Finbarr's.

St. Patrick's Day

This year the National patron saint's day falls on a Wednesday so we combine our celebration with the usual midweek Holy communion service

Prayer Meeting

Once a month we have had a short time of prayer with no plan or liturgy which is

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with the Rector by the last Sunday of
the month please*

rather different to our usual kind of worship. This month it will be held on Sunday 14th at 9.00pm in St. Finbarr's.

Women's World Day of Prayer

This will be held this year in St. Finbarr's on Friday 5th March at 8pm using the ecumenical service. The service has been drawn up by women from the Cameroon. We are greatly blessed this year to have as our speaker the husband of the Rev. Helene Steed of Clones Group. Mr Christopher Steed is a well known author who has written about Christianity in Africa and we very much look forward to hearing him.. All are welcome.

Hymn Practice

Our next review of up-coming music will be held in St. Finbarr's on Tuesday 23rd March at 8pm.

Holy Week

We will have more detail on this later but services will be Holy Communion on Spy Wednesday, 31st March, at 10.30am in Carrickmacross, and a Penitential Service at 8pm in Magheracluone. On Maunday Thursday there is a commemoration of the last Supper at 8pm in Carrickmacross and on Good Friday Three hours by the Cross at midday and evening service at 8pm both in Carrickmacross.

Parish News

Bishops' Appeal

Each Lent we ask parishioners to undertake some form of personal discipline to benefit those who are suffering through famine, drought or natural disaster. Once again we are urging everyone to take part in some meaningful way and then to use a Bishops' Appeal envelope, which will be distributed at Easter time to make their donation. Money we gave was available for use immediately the Haiti earthquake happened and while it is important to continue on with our support for the effort to rebuild that and other devastated countries it is also important our support will be there immediately the next disaster occurs.

Rectory Grid

Sincere thanks to Mr Freddie Merrin and Mr John Babington for the replacement of the broken cattle grid at the Rectory gate.

God's Acre Map

The numbering system in use since the provision of the cemetery on the Dundalk Road has become totally confused. With the work undertaken by John Burns of the Workhouse Project and the voluntary work of Emma Hill we have devised a new map which we will shortly present to the Select Vestry. It is our hope that we can put the map and brief information about each family on the parish website and invite family members from around the world to feed us extra information. If anyone has any strong feelings either for or against this idea we would be glad to get them.

Bring & Buy & Coffee

We are having an open house at the Rectory on Friday 19th March from 7pm to 10pm as a fund raiser for two charities which have appealed for our support recently. The first is the Monaghan Protestant Orphans Society and the second is the Holy Land Medical Relief Group, people from Clogher who went on pilgrimage to the Holy Land last year and who were appalled by the situation of ordinary Palestinian people in the East Bank. Even if you cannot make the event donations would be very welcome for these appeals.

Organisations

MU and Friends

The March meeting will be held in the Parish Room in Carrickmacross on Thursday 11th at 8pm. The speaker will be Siobhan Dolan.

Notices

International Women's Day

A local steering group, made up of representatives of local voluntary and community groups, has been established to organise a Women of the World (WOW!) event to celebrate the 99th annual International Women's day on 8th March 2010.

The event will be held in the Fiddlers, Main Street, Carrickmacross from 11am to 9pm and will include a wide variety of events. For more information contact Tinu Achioya on 0429662958 at Drumlin Community Development Project on Farney Street or Margaret Tomany, Respond! Housing Association on 0879164431

THIS MONTH

Monday	1 st	7.00pm	Confirmation Class, St. Finbarr's
		8.00pm	Emmaus Course, Parish Room
Wednesday	3 rd	10.30am	Midweek Communion, St. Finbarr's
Friday	5 th	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
		8.00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer, St. Finbarr's
		8.00pm	Celebrations in Corduff Community Centre
Saturday	6 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning for HLMRF, Belle Isle
Sunday	7 th	11.30am	Confirmation Service
Monday	8 th	8.00pm	Emmaus Course, Parish Room
Wednesday	10 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Thursday	11 th	8.00pm	Mother's Union and Friends, Parish Room
Friday	12 th	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
Sunday	14 th		Mothering Sunday
Monday	15 th	8.00pm	Emmaus Course, Parish Room
Wednesday	17 th	10.30am	St. Patrick's Day Communion Service
Friday	19 th	7.00pm	Coffee Evening and Bring&Buy Rectory
		7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
Monday	22 nd	8.00pm	Emmaus Course, Parish Room
Tuesday	23 rd	8.00pm	Hymn Practice in Carrickmacross
Wednesday	24 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Friday	26 th	7.30pm	Junior Table Tennis, Jackson Hall
Monday	29 th	8.00pm	Emmaus Course, Parish Room
Wednesday	31 st	10.30am	Midweek Communion
		8.00pm	Spy Wednesday Service, Magheraclone

NEXT MONTH

Thursday	1 st	8.00pm	Maunday Thursday Communion, St. Finbarr's
Friday	2 nd	Midday	3 hour Meditation in St. Finbarr's
		8.00pm	Good Friday Service, St. Finbarr's
Tuesday	6 th	8.00pm	Easter General Vestry, St. Finbarr's
Wednesday	7 th	8.00pm	Easter General Vestry, St. Molua's
Monday	12 th		Rector in America

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Friday	7 th May	Fund raising dance for Ardragh in Corduff
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Sunday Services

7th March 2010, 3rd Sunday in Lent (Purple)

Isaiah 55.1-9, Psalm 63.1-9, 1 Corinthians 10.1-13, Luke 13.1-9

Carrickmacross 11.30am Confirmation Bishop Jackson

14th March 2010, 4th Sunday in Lent, Mothering (Purple)

Joshua 5.9-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5.16-21, Luke 15.1-3, 11b-32

Carrickmacross 8.00am HC Rector

Carrickmacross 10.30am Family Rector

Magheracluone 11.45am HC Rector

21st March 2010, 5th Sunday in Lent Passion (Purple)

Isaiah 43.16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3.4b-14, John 12.1-8

Carrickmacross 10.30am HC Rector

Magheracluone 11.45am MP Rector

Ardragh 1.00pm MP Rector

28th March 2010, 6th Sunday in Lent Palm (Purple)

Luke 19.28-40, Psalm 118.1-2, 19-21

Carrickmacross 8.00am HC Rector

Carrickmacross 10.30am MP Rector

Magheracluone 11.45am MP Rector

4th April 2010, Easter Sunday (White)

Isaiah 43.16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3.4b-14, John 12.1-8

Carrickmacross 10.30am HC Rector

Magheracluone 11.45am HC Rector

Ardragh 1.00pm HC Rector

11th April 2010, 2nd Sunday of Easter (White)

Acts 5.27-32, Psalm 118.14-29, Revelation 1.4-8, John 20.19-31

Carrickmacross 8.00am HC Rector

Carrickmacross 10.30am MP Rector

Magheracluone 11.45am MP Rector

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