

Parish Vintage Rally and Fun Day

Saturday 30th July

At

Bready Cricket Club



All the usual attractions.....

**Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Cake Stall,
Bar B Que, Afternoon Tea,
Stalls and many many more**

1.30pm—5pm

Can you help!

Please contact Drew Downey as soon as possible.

Come along and support the day!

Fun Day Sponsors

Adair and Neely Funeral Directors	£50.00
D & R Hay	£50.00
Floyds and Ballymagorry Arms	£50.00
Maghermason Service Station	£100.00
The Village Store Artigarvan	£30.00
Tesco Lisnagelvin	£25.00

Leckpatrick and Dunnalong

Parish Magazine

Summer 2016

We will remember them





*We invite members & friends
to a 140th Anniversary*



*Prayer Walk
for
Mary Sumner Day*

*on
Saturday, August 6th,*

at The Quiet Garden,

See House, Culmore Road, 3-5pm.

A time of reflection, beauty and prayer in an oasis of calm.

All ages welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Please note it is now the responsibility of each organisation to inform The Sexton: Mr George McIntyre - Telephone No: 028 7188 5656, when you need or do not need The Church or Hall opened. The Church will be open from Wednesday - Saturday 9.20am - 4pm each day for private prayer & reflection

**Items for inclusion in the next Parish Magazine
should be emailed to
Mrs Kaye Nesbitt at kayenesbitt@hotmail.co.uk**



**St John's Church of Ireland
Dunnalong**

**Leckpatrick & Dunnalong Parishes uphold the policies of
Safeguarding Trust**



We seek growth
We serve in teams
We encourage leaders

Transforming Community, Radiating Christ

Leckpatrick

Ross Gamble and Paige Hannigan

£20.00

Marriage Donation

Dunnalong

Krystina Nesbitt and Matthew Wilson

£200.00

Donation

Dunnalong

Culbert Family

£100.00

Thank you to everyone who gives donations to the parish. They play a vital role in maintaining the church and are greatly appreciated.

SAFEGUARDING TRUST PARISH PANEL

In accordance with the recommendations in "Safeguarding Trust" the Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children. A Parish Panel has been appointed to implement this code. If you have any concerns regarding issues around children please contact a Panel member.

Mrs Kaye Nesbitt, Mr Mervyn Clarke and Rev Irene Lyttle

Pastoral Care – Hospital Visitation

Please let the rector know if you require a pastoral visit or if you or a relative are in hospital.

Leckpatrick Church & Milliken Hall

Reflection from the Rector.....

I imagine that many of you reading this letter are preparing to take a summer holiday.

Whether you're going away or staying at home, the summer months are often a time when we're able to change gear and slow down a little. They are an opportunity for some rest and relaxation.

It's easy to fall into the trap of thinking that we are only doing God's work if we are busy.

It is true that our faith must be expressed in action, but should only ever be part of the story.

That action must be informed by prayer and reflection. The gospels tell us that Jesus often got into a boat and took himself away from the crowds after busy times, so that he could spend time alone with God. Jesus knew how important it was to make the time to do that.

When we live at a busy pace, we need rest in order for our bodies to recharge and feel rejuvenated. But there's more to it than that. Finding time to rest is essential for a life that is balanced and healthy, emotionally and spiritually as well as physically.

Rest gives us time to recalibrate, to reflect and to pray, to ask ourselves, 'Am I doing the things God wants me to do in my life?'

Reflecting on that question might lead us to think about doing things differently, refocusing our lives so they are once again in tune with what God is asking us to do.

So wherever you may be this summer, I encourage you to find some time simply to rest in the presence of God. May you be blessed in your rest and relaxation, and in all that you do in God's name.

Rev. Irene

Thank You

A big thank you to the ladies who decorated the church for **Dunnalong's 150th Service of Christian Witness and Worship**. What a wonderful service of word and music. The choir was joined by members of the **Derg Choir** who led us in worship.

What a privilege to have **Ms Jacqui Armstrong** from **Clondevaddock** with us to sing. **Bishop Ken** reminded us in his address of the call 'to follow' as parishioners had done over the past 150 years in **St John's**.

150th Anniversary Service in Dunnalong



*Dunnalong Choir
members with
members from the
Derg Valley Choir*



*Mrs Mary Good
presented with
flowers by
Sophie Dixon.*

Holy Matrimony

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Dunnalong

Thursday 16th June, 2016

Wedding of **Krystina Nesbitt** and **Matthew Wilson**

Donations Received

Dunnalong In Memorial

In loving memory of **Ronnie Culbert**
From daughter **Janice** and Family **£10.00**

In loving memory of **Robert** and **Eileen Montgomery**
From their son **Jim** and Family **£50.00**

In loving memory of **Esther Annie Montgomery**
From her husband **Jim** and Family **£50.00**

In loving memory of **William McCorkell**
From his wife **Anna** and Family **£80.00**

Baptismal Donations

Dunnalong
David and **Nicola Hetherington** **£10.00**

William and **Jacqueline McNeill** **£100.00**

Parish Register

Burial of the Dead

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"

Leckpatrick

Thursday 23rd June, 2016

Sydney Donald McCarter

Sunday 3rd July

Raymond Blythe

Dunnalong

Saturday 26th March, 2016

Jack (Jackie) Lynch

Monday 2nd May, 2016

Sarah Mary Downey

Thursday 12th May, 2016

Kathleen Veronica Culbert

Holy Baptism

"Let the children come to me ... for to such belongs the kingdom of God."

St Mark 10:14

Dunnalong

Sunday 24th April, 2016

Sophia Elizabeth

Daughter of David and Nicola Hetherington

Holly Jean Frances

Daughter of William and Jacqueline McNeill

Leckpatrick

Sunday 5th June, 2016

Ellie-May

Daughter of Andrew Ross Gamble and Paige Isobel Hannigan

Children's Day

We were privileged to welcome Miss Kirsty Lynch (Diocesan Children's Ministry Officer) to the Children's Day service. Kirsty reminded us of how special each of us are in God's eyes - a bag of Jelly Babies will in the future be examined carefully. Thank you Kirsty for the wonderful address.



Kirsty Lynch with the rector discussing the service!



Adam Dalzell, Jennifer Henderson with Catherine Culbert who presented Sophie Dixon with the Culbert Shield and Kaye Nesbitt who presented Leona Orr with the Edyth Lovell Memorial Shield



Dunnalong Children's Day BBC

The annual Breakfast Before Church was held on Children's Day June 5th - a big thank you to all who supported our Breakfast. The proceeds from the Breakfast and the offering from the Children's Day service have gone to Bishops Appeal to purchase a cow for the Diocese of Butere in Africa.

To our cooks, 'Thank you' see you next year!!



Leckpatrick Sunday School Outing to Baron Top Fun Farm on Saturday June 11th.



Please pray for the following.....

- The house bound, lonely and bereaved.
- Diocesan Opportunity 2016
- Restful summer holidays
- Newly Baptised Children
- Newly Married Couples
- The Parish Fun Day



CONGRATULATIONS!



**Happy 90th Birthday to
Mrs Lillian Gibb**



**Congratulations to
Hannah Downey on her recent
graduation.**



**Congratulations to
Krystina Nesbitt and
Matthew Wilson on their
recent marriage.**



Sunday 5th June 2016-Leckpatrick Children's Day Service

Holy Baptism of Ellie-May Gamble- Children's Bible presented by Kerriane Dinsmore. Mothers' Union literature presented by Elizabeth Given.

"A Poem and Children's Messages" - Shirley McCobb, Kerriane Dinsmore, Calvin Anderson, Amanda Jack, William Olphert, Alex McNeill, Sarah Caldwell, Mark Kerr and Kyle Leslie.

Readings: Mark Kerr and Shirley McCobb

Address: Miss Kirsty Lynch, Diocesan Children's Ministry Officer

Children's Prayers: Sarah Caldwell, Kerriane Dinsmore, Alex McNeill Collections were made by Calvin Anderson, Kyle Leslie and Adam Caldwell. (Offertory going towards purchase of a cow for Diocese of Butere) Distribution of Prizes by Shirley McCobb:

All children/youth received a Voucher to redeem at the 'Book Well' - Saturday 18th June. Additional Vouchers were given to Alex McNeill, William Olphert and Kyle Armstrong for excellent attendances.

The 'Molly Craig Cup For Endeavour' was presented to Alex McNeill.

A Voucher was presented to Mark Kerr who helped and supported us alongside working towards his Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Well done to everyone! Caitlyn Anderson presented flowers to Amanda Jack who finished with us and we would like to thank Amanda for all her help and support. Also, we would like to welcome Jayne Caldwell and Dawn Ferguson who have joined our team.

Thank you for your support during the year. Wishing everyone a good summer.
Shirley McCobb



Dunnalong Treasure Hunt and BBQ

Dunnalong Treasure Hunt proved to be a great evening of fun and knowledge of the local roads and landmarks. Congratulations to the winners. THANK YOU to everyone who came along and supported the event and to the judges and the organising committee.



Prize winners!



The Somme Remembered 1916-2016

A Commemoration of the Battle of the Somme took place on Sunday 3rd July in Dunnalong and Leckpatrick where we were privileged to have Alistair Harper who spoke on the Somme. Wearing WW1 Nursing uniforms were Jennifer Tate and Dorothy Simpson. In Leckpatrick Mark Kerr, great grandson of Robert Kerr, read a letter received from King George V following his grandfathers safe return. A poppy was placed beneath the memorial to remember all lives lost from these parishes.

