

Leckpatrick Church & Milliken Hall

Please note it is now the responsibility of each organisation to inform the Sexton: Mr Ronald Kelly - when you need or do not need the Church or Hall opened.

The Church will be open from Wednesday - Saturday 9.20am - 4.00pm each day for private prayer & reflection.



St John's Church of Ireland
Dunnalong

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Items for inclusion in the next Parish Magazine should be emailed to Mrs Kaye Nesbitt - kayenesbitt@hotmail.co.uk by Wednesday 20th September.

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LECKPATRICK & DUNNALONG

PARISH MAGAZINE

SUMMER 2017

From the Rector.....

'May your word live in us and bear much fruit to your glory.'
(St. John 15.8)

In the month of June we had 18 lovely young people confirmed by Bishop Ken. That was a very proud moment for parents, grandparents, godparents and the church. The responsibility of parents and godparents in fulfilling their Baptismal promises to God and to the children in their care is paramount; you are privileged in passing on these things to the next generation also in nurturing their spiritual life.

Passing on the faith is in a sense the church's core business. That is what we are about. We want everyone who crosses the doors to hear about God's love. We want people to experience that love for themselves and we try through our activities and organisations to make His love real and tangible to those around us. We want to encourage you if you are a parent or grandparent to bring your children to church and Sunday School. I'm conscious of how hard the leaders work to provide a varied and imaginative programme and to help the children flourish. Our Sunday School needs leaders and I ask that you consider giving of your time (on a Rota basis) to aid this valuable ministry.

As you will have read in the N:Vision, the Luncheon Club enjoyed very much their visit to Scotland and my husband Ian and I our visit to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, which is five miles off the A1 on the Northumberland coast.

In Loving Memory of Ester Annie Montgomery £40.00
From daughter Heather, so in law Ronnie and Family

In Loving Memory of Ester Annie Montgomery £40.00
From daughter Sandra, Ivan and Family

In Loving Memory of Ester Annie Montgomery £20.00
From granddaughter Trudy, Paul and Family

Baptismal Donations

Dunnalong

Amy Killen and Stewart McCay £50.00

Leckpatrick

Jason and Jill Milligan £80.00
(Omitted from previous magazine)

Donations

Leckpatrick

Mr Jim Meehan £20.00

Dunnalong

Wedding Donation

Clare Campbell and James Burke £200.00

Laura Olphert and Christopher Parkhill £200.00

Dunnalong Parish Search

Mrs Ruth Olphert £40.00
(Research in respect on her next book concentrating on Bready and District)

Holy Matrimony

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

Dunnaalong

Friday 21st April, 2017

Clare Campbell and James William Burke

Saturday 27th May, 2017

Laura Helena Olphert and Christopher William Parkhill

Burial of the Dead

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"

No deaths.

Donations Received

Dunnaalong In Memorial

In Loving Memory of William McCorkell

From his wife Anna £40.00

In Loving Memory of Robert and Eileen Montgomery £50.00

From their loving son Jim and Family

In Loving Memory of Ester Annie Montgomery £100.00

From her loving husband Jim and Family

In Loving Memory of Ester Annie Montgomery £40.00

**From daughter Joanne, son in law Colin and grandchildren Jordan,
Holly and Tyler**

I am now off with my three daughters for two weeks to walk part of the medieval pilgrimage, the Camino de Santiago trail across the Spanish countryside. I am hoping to come back more physically fit and my spiritual batteries recharged.

I wish everyone a most enjoyable summer. Remember that wherever you go this summer your presence will bring great encouragement to the local church and please do all you can to make any visitors welcome to St. Patrick's, Leckpatrick and St John's, Dunnaalong.

*Love and prayers,
Rev. Irene*



‘The Green Thing’

Checking out at the supermarket, the young cashier suggested to the much older woman, that she should bring her own grocery bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment.

The woman apologised and explained, "We didn't have this '**green thing**' back in my earlier days."

The young cashier responded, "That's our problem today - your generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations."

She was right -- our generation didn't have **the 'green thing'** in its day.

Back then, we returned milk bottles, lemonade bottles and beer bottles to the shop. The shop sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilised and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So, they really were recycled.

But we didn't have **the "green thing"** back in our day.

Grocery shops bagged our groceries in brown paper bags, that we re-used for numerous things, most memorable besides household bags for rubbish, was the use of brown paper bags as book covers for our schoolbooks. This was to ensure that public property (the books provided for our use by the school), was not defaced by our scribbles. Then we were able to personalise our books on the brown paper bags.

But too bad we didn't do **the "green thing"** back then.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have a lift in every supermarket, shop and office building. We walked to the local shop and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go half a mile.

But she was right. We didn't have **the "green thing"** in our day.

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.

Parish Register

Holy Baptism

*Let the children come to me ... for to such belongs the kingdom of God."
Mark 10:14*

Dunnalong

Sunday 28th May, 2017

Katie Bella Killen, daughter of Stewart McCay and Amy Rebecca Killen

PRAYER POINTS



Please pray for the following.....

- The house bound, lonely and bereaved.
- Those who are sick at home or in hospital
- The Parish
- A restful summer
- Starving children in Yemen, Eastern Africa and Sudan
- Chloe Robinson and Yasmin Watson—Ulster American Project
- Adam Dalzell - Exodus Mission to Romania
- All awaiting exam results
- The Confirmation Candidates

Blake Allen

Katie Allen

Calvin Anderson

Alexandra Dalzell

Jordan Dixon

David Donnell

Peter Donnell

Craig Downey

Britney Gibb

Jack Hegarty-Cunningham

Kim Killen

Sophie Killen

Kyle Leslie

Jordan McIntyre

Latoya Neely

Leona Orr

Cain Wallace

Cassie Wallace

Congratulations

Congratulations to many of our parishioners who have celebrated or who will celebrate special birthdays or wedding anniversaries.

Back then, we washed the baby's Terry Towel nappies because we didn't have the throwaway kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy-gobbling machine burning up 3 kilowatts – wind and solar power really did dry our clothes back in our early days. Kids had hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing.

But that young lady is right; we didn't have **the "green thing"** back in our day.

Back then, we had one radio or TV in the house - not a TV in every room and the TV had a small screen the size of a big handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of Scotland in the kitchen. We blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, we used wadded up old newspapers to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn petrol just to cut the lawn. We pushed the mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club

to run on treadmills that operate on electricity.

But she's right; we didn't have **the "green thing"** back then.

We drank from a tap or fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. We refilled writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen, and we replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull.

But we didn't have **the "green thing"** back then.

Back then, people took the bus and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their Mums into a 24-hour taxi service in the family's £50,000 'People Carrier' which cost the same as a whole house did before **the "green thing."** We had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances and we didn't

need a computerised gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 23,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest Pub!

But isn't it sad that the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have **the "green thing"** back then?

Please forward this on to another selfish old person who needs a lesson in conservation from a smart young person...

We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to really upset us, especially from a tattooed, multiple pierced smart young man who can't work out the change without the cash register telling them how much it is!

Here endeth **the lesson!**



MOTHERS' UNION ALL IRELAND 1887-2017

Mothers' Union is celebrating 13 decades of **Love and Service**

There are 300 Mothers' Union branches in all Ireland with 7,000 members and to mark this special year there are 13 special events including the presentation of a new prayer book of 13 prayers to indoor members and the presentation of 13 toys to all child contact centres and prisons.

On Saturday the 13th. May our branch of Leckpatrick and Dunalong joined with other branches in Derry and Raphoe to walk part of the MU pilgrims walk [Which started in Dublin]

It was truly a wonderful occasion, our Diocesan President Mary Good, All Ireland president Phyllis Grothier, Worldwide President Lynne Temby and past diocesan presidents together with almost 200 members met at St. Columbs cathedral for a very joyous service followed by a Civic reception in the Guildhall hosted by the Mayor Mrs Hillary McClintock and then concluded with the walk over the peace bridge.



Confirmation June 25th in Dunalong

On Sunday 25th of June 18 young people from the Parish (9 from Leckpatrick and 9 from Dunalong) were confirmed by Bishop Ken in Dunalong. The Church was filled to capacity with family and friends.

Please pray for these young people as they continue in their Christian journey. (Full list in prayer points)



Wishing everyone a happy, enjoyable and peaceful summer.
Shirley McCobb



**Members of Leckpatrick and
Dunnalong Mothers' Union
with the World Wide President
Mrs Lynne Temby, All Ireland
President Mrs Phyllis Grothier
and Past World Wide President
Lady Christine Eames**



**Sunday 18th June 2017-Dunnalong Children's Day
Service/Prize-Giving:**

What a lovely service we had, we even managed to overcome the power cut and had fun. Well done to all the children and parents who have faithful sent them each Sunday to Sunday School, they have all been a pleasure to teach. Mr Martin Montgomery had everyone literally eating out of his hand with his most interesting talk—both Poppy and Christine got to eat a Donut! Congratulations to all the prize winners - Culbert Shield Poppy Hamilton, Edyth Lovell Memorial Shield Leona Orr.



CONGRATULATIONS NANCY

Mrs. Nancy Olphert being presented with her Mothers' Union long membership Certificate by Mrs. Mary Good, Diocesan president of Derry and Raphoe.

Nancy who was 95 years old this year is also 71 years a member of Leckpatrick and Dunnalong branch of Mothers' Union.

Nancy fell in her garden 6 weeks ago, breaking her hip and is currently rehabilitating in the waterside hospital.

We wish Nancy a good recovery and God's blessings.



Thank You!

Many thanks to Mr Geoffrey Kelly who once again opened his home to host two very successful Coffee Evenings during May, in aid of Leckpatrick Parish Church.



Leckpatrick and Dunnalong Luncheon Club

During May the Luncheon Club had a great time on their five day tour of the Scottish Highlands. Some of the many sights visited included Loch Tummel, Cairngorm National Park and the Parish of Braemar the church which the Queen attends during her stay at Balmoral. Many thanks go to the organising committee for such a successful trip.



Sunday 18th June 2017-Leckpatrick Children's Day Service/Prize-Giving:

The children sang 'If I Were A Butterfly' and performed actions. Other hymns sung included, Jesus Loves Me, Two Little Eyes, All Things Bright and Beautiful, Jesus Bids Us Shine and Jesus Friend Of

Little Children.

Readings were by Calvin Anderson and Shirley McCobb.

Address was by Martin Montgomery, Diocesan Youth Officer.

Children's Prayers were said by Kyle Leslie, Katie Allen and David Donnell.

Collections were made by Caitlin Anderson and Kerri-Anne Dinsmore.

Distribution of prizes by Shirley McCobb -

Confirmation candidates each received a voucher which entitled them to collect a Confirmation Presentation Bible at the 'Book Well' on Saturday 24th June 2017 at Milliken Hall.

All Sunday School children/youth each received a voucher to redeem at the 'Book Well'

Additional vouchers were given to Kyle Armstrong, Ellie Ferguson, Alex McNeill, Cody Mehaffey and Olivia Shields for excellent attendances.

The 'Molly Craig Cup for Endeavour' was presented to Sarah Caldwell.

Vouchers were presented to Pre Sunday School Children, Ethan Kerr, Erin Kerr, Leo Olphert, Sophia Shields, Jodie-Lynn Caldwell and Riley Milligan.

Well done to everyone!

Congratulations went to Jayne Caldwell and all her family on the birth of her baby daughter, Jodie-Lynn.

Much thanks to Jayne, Dawn and Glenda for all their help over the year.

Thank you to Organists-Ruby, Sylvia and Tom, Ronnie our Caretaker, Sylvia and Cecil-Churchwardens, Kaye at Parish Office and to parents and congregation for their ongoing support.

Sunday 25th June 2017 - Confirmation at Dunnalong Church with Bishop Ken and Rev Irene:

Nine candidates - Katie, Calvin, David, Peter, Britney, Jack, Kyle, Jordan and Latoya went forward for Confirmation.

Congratulations and very well done to you all. You were a great compliment to yourselves, your families and to Leckpatrick Sunday School/Church. Good luck and all the very best for the future to our Leckpatrick Confirmation Class of 2017.