



ROSSORRY

PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY
27th November
2022

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT *THE KINGSHIP OF CHRIST*

SERVICES TODAY

9.00 am Holy Communion . P. 201

10.30 am Morning Prayer. P. 101

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

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Psalm- 122. (BCP) p.743

Epistle-Romans 13: 11-14 p.1140

Gospel -Matthew 24: 36-44 p.994

Post Communion Prayer

God our deliverer,
awaken our hearts
to prepare the way for the advent of your Son,
that, with minds purified by the grace of his coming,
we may serve you faithfully all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

10.30am Morning Prayer

The Gathering of God's People

Hymn 118 *Behold, the mountain of the Lord
in latter days shall rise*

p.101 Greeting & Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Candles

The Clarke family.

(see responses & Hymn in booklet)



p.102 Confession & Absolution

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

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Canticle: *Jubilate,* p. 119

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Psalm 122 BCP p.743

Canticle: *Great and Wonderful* p. 129

The Epistle : p. 1140

Canticle: *O bless the God of Israel
Hymn 706 who comes to set us free*

(Children leave for Sunday School)

The Gospel : p.994

Sermon:

Hymn 143 *Waken, O sleeper, wake and rise,
salvation's day is near,*

The Prayers of the People

Versicles & responses p. 113

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Intercessions:

Offertory *The lord will come and not be slow,
Hymn his footsteps cannot err;*
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Going out as God's People

Blessing

Hymn 126 *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding,
'Christ is nigh' it seems to say;*

Dismissal

READINGS for —SUNDAY 27th November 2022

The Lesson:—Isaiah 2: 1-5

*The first Reading is from the Book of the Prophet, Isaiah
Chapter 2, beginning to read at verse 1.*

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

² In the last days
the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established
as the highest of the mountains;
it will be exalted above the hills,
and all nations will stream to it.
³ Many peoples will come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths.'
The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴ He will judge between the nations
and will settle disputes for many peoples.
They will beat their swords into ploughshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war any more.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob,
let us walk in the light of the LORD.



This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle:- Romans 13: 11-14

*The Epistle Reading is from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans,
Chapter 13, beginning to read at verse 11.*

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: the hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armour of light.

¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The Gospel Reading—Matthew 24: 36-44

(Sung Acclamation)

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Saint Matthew,
chapter 24, beginning to read at verse 36.*

Glory to you , Lord Jesus Christ.

³⁶ ‘But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹ and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

⁴² ‘Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.



This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Sung Acclamation)

Christmas
-COMMUNION-

ROSSORRY
Christmas
Communion
in the HALL

For the elderly, housebound or those who otherwise are unable to attend regular Sunday Services

On Sunday 11th December 2022
At 3pm in the Parish Hall

Tea and refreshments kindly supplied by
Mothers' Union afterwards

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

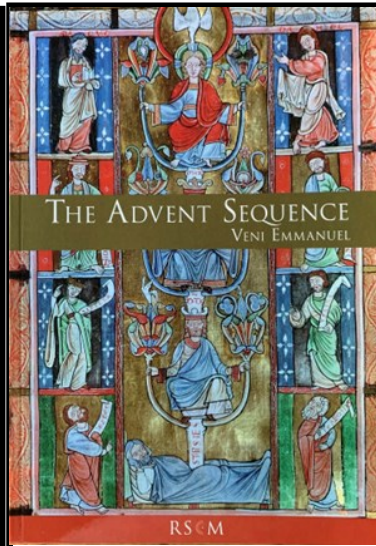


The commissioning of Mrs Heather Ellis as President of Clogher Mothers' Union took place today at a service in St. Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen in the presence of the Mothers' Union Worldwide President, Mrs Sheran Harper and the All-Ireland President, Mrs June Butler.

The service was conducted by Dean Kenneth Hall, in the absence of Bishop Ian Ellis, whose mother had died during the week.

Mrs Ellis was also commissioned as an All Ireland Trustee and Mrs Debbie Davidson from Armagh Diocese as an All-Ireland Trustee.

An address was given by Mrs Sheran Harper and the service also included the administration of Holy Communion.



Come and join us, in Rossorry, this Sunday evening (27th) at 7pm for

"AN ADVENT SEQUENCE"

to mark the 1st Sunday of Advent. A beautiful service of readings and hymns formulated by The Royal School of Church Music - RSCM.

Everybody welcome to this special service led by our new Rector - Rev. Stephen Mc Whirter.



NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER
FOR ROSSORRY RECTORY
from Thursday 3rd November

2022.
02866 458024



SAMARITAN'S PURSE

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Many thanks to all
who donated.

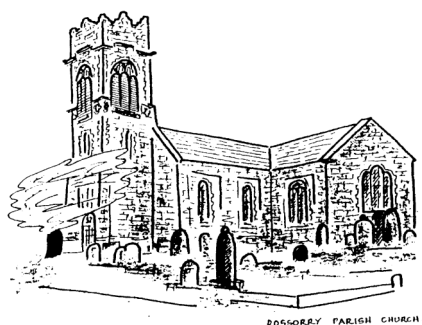
This year we were able to send off some 11 boxes to children who would otherwise receive nothing !

Check us out at

Website: www.rossorryparish.com



Rossorry Parish Church



Thought for the week



SERVICES FOR NOV. / DEC. 2022

<u>Sunday 27th November</u> (1st Sunday of Advent)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 2: 1-5
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 122 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 36-44
<u>Sunday 4th December</u> (2nd Sunday of Advent)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 11: 1-10
	11.00.am	Holy Communion	Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19. Romans 15: 4-13 Matthew 3: 1-12
<u>Sunday 11th December</u> (3rd Sunday of Advent)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 35: 1-10
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 146: 4-10
	3.00pm	<i>Christmas Communion in the Hall for the elderly.</i>	James 5: 7-10 Matthew 11: 2-11
<u>Sunday 18th December</u> (4th Sunday of Advent) <u>CAROL SERVICE</u>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 7: 10-16
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 80: 1-8, 18-20
	7.00pm	Carol Service	Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-25
<u>Saturday 24th December</u> <u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u>	10.00pm	Christmas Eucharist	2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11, 16 Psalm 89: 2, 19-27 Acts 13: 16-26 Luke 1: 67-79
<u>Sunday 25th December</u> <u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u>	10.00am	Family Eucharist	Isaiah 52: 7-10 Psalm 98. Hebrews 1: 1-4 John 1: 1-14

Upcoming Events

Derryloran Parish Church, Cookstown

Invite you to a Weekend of

Spirit of Winter

Displays by
Derryloran Flower Guild & Organisations

Friday 2nd December 2.00pm-6.00pm

Saturday 3rd December 10.30am-6.00pm

Sunday 4th December 2.00pm-6.00pm

*View our beautiful Church
and wonderful Spirit of Winter displays*

Please come along and bring a friend

Teas / Coffees - Mince Pies / Shortbread - £3

- Everyone Welcome -

Sunday 4th December –

Fermanagh and East Tyrone RUC George Cross Association Carol Service

at 3.30pm in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Clogher. Roughan Silver Band will be leading the carols. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 8th December –

SANDS Carol Service

in St Macartin's Cathedral, Enniskillen at 7.30pm organised by Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Charity.

NEWS

Running rector already exceeds fundraising target for new prayer garden.



A Church of Ireland rector has decided to take to road running to obtain sponsorship for a new learning resource at her local primary school. The Revd Rebecca Guildea, Rector of the parishes of

Garrison, Slavin, Belleek and Kiltyclogher in Clogher Diocese, is running a four-mile distance, the same as the distance between her rectory and Belleek Primary School, 40 times over the three months from September to December.

The individual runs are being sponsored by parishioners. With a target to raise £500, she has already exceeded that amount already – almost doubling it to £950.

Rebecca's aim is that her churches will contribute to the cost of establishing a prayer garden at the school. A rundown activity area at the school will be transformed into an outdoor learning space and prayer garden where children can grow their own vegetables and flowers and also have reflective space.

Rebecca explained that the Church of Ireland Board of Education (Northern Ireland) has earmarked £1,000 for the project with the remaining £1,000 required to be raised locally. As Rebecca sets out on several of her four-mile runs several times each week, she reflects on making the connection between church and school stronger.

"My real wish is how our church can be a blessing in our community and how to make useful connections within it," she said.

Rebecca and her husband Brendan have three children, Noah, Isaac and Moses with Noah already attending Belleek School.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH CHURCH, CALEDON.

Christmas Tree Festival

Friday 2nd December 2022
1.00pm - 9.00pm
Opening Service @ 7.00pm

Saturday 3rd December 2022
10.00am - 7.00pm
Come along to Santa's Grotto

Sunday 4th December 2022
2.00pm - 7.00pm
Closing Carol Service @ 7.00pm

For group catering or further information please contact:
07909 985 813 or 028 3754 8490 or 07849 963 506



Irish Inter–Church Meeting considers church life after Pandemic.

The thirty–second meeting of the Irish Inter–Church Meeting (IICM) took place on Thursday, 10th November, and Friday, 11th November, in Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry. The theme for the meeting was ‘Creatively reconfiguring our post–pandemic understanding of church’. Representatives from across the island gathered to reflect together on how churches can connect with a changed post–pandemic world.

Prof. John Fitzgerald (TCD) began by tracing the story from Jan 2020 to Nov 2022, giving an analysis of the impact of the Covid–19 pandemic on society on the island of Ireland.

Participants then reflected on a changing local church, led by Breige O’Hare (from the First Step Well counselling and support service), who provided opportunities to prayerfully reflect on the impact of these changing and challenging times on those working in ministry at local level. She focussed in particular on the importance of churches creating space for people to deepen robust, honest relationships with Christ and with each other in these anxious times.

While the Covid–19 pandemic has affected us greatly on this island, its impact for our brothers and sisters in the global church has been significantly different – it was often another amongst many crises. Speakers Bob Kikuyu of Christian Aid (Kenya) and Dr Conchita Reyes of Trócaire (Guatemala) shared about the situation in their countries.

With Orthodox and Migrant–Led churches represented in the Irish Council of Churches membership, a panel discussion between Fr Anish John (Indian Orthodox) and Pastor Dare Adetuberu (Redeemed Christian Church of God), joined by Ruth Garvey–Williams (editor of Vox magazine) highlighted what the distinctive impact of the pandemic has been for them, and at grassroots across the country.

Finally Joe McKeown, Youthlink’s Research and Curriculum Development Officer, facilitated a panel of young people from YouthLink who shared their perspective on the Covid–19 pandemic, and its effects on their day–to–day and social lives.

PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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BAPTISMS:- Please contact the Rector well in advance so that arrangements can be made.

THE SICK:- If you are aware of anyone who is ill, unwell or for any reason would like a visit - please contact the Rector or the Parish Office.

HOSPITAL:- If you have a member of your family circle or a friend in hospital, please let the Rector or the Parish Office know if a visit or follow-up is required.

VISITING:- Two Diocesan Pastoral Assistants, Mrs Sue Hogg and Mrs Joan Nelson are assisting with the Pastoral Visits.

PARISH OFFICE

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Gerry O' Callaghan.

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ROSSORRY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a family, Rossorry Parish seeks to

- **ENRICH** and deepen our faith in Jesus Christ;
- **ENLIVEN** our fellowship and care for each other;
- **ENGAGE** with everyone, of every age and background, in ways that are meaningful and relevant.

PARISH CONTACTS

Retired resident clergy:	Rev. Canon Desmond Kingston. Ven. C.T. Pringle.
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Hon Treasurer	George Elliott
Hon Secretary	Dorothy Wilson 66346805
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Wednesday Club: (Wednesday 10.30am - 12noon)	Ethel Oldcroft 6632 6339
Beavers (Tues. 6.30-7.30pm)	Alan Wilkinson
Cubs (Wed 6:45 - 7:45pm)	Keith Rutledge 07812214176
Scouts: (Tues 7:30-9:00pm)	Roger Clarke 07714 232 645
Guides: (Wed 8-9.15pm)	Avril Armstrong 6632 9589
Mothers Union (3rd Thurs. in the month)	Lorraine Simpson 66 329 469
Bowling Club (Mon. evening)	Catherine Scott 07517794435
Arts & Crafts Classes (Wed. pm. or as announced)	Yvonne Elliott 6634 2514
Prayer Group (2nd & 4th Wed. 7.30pm)	Parish Office 02866 329889