



# ROSSORRY

## PARISH CHURCH

**SUNDAY**  
**8th January**  
**2023**

### THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

#### SERVICES TODAY

9.00 am Holy Communion . P. 201

10.30 am Morning Prayer. P. 101

#### Collect of the Day

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed him to be your Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
Grant to us, who are born of water and the  
Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling as  
your adopted children;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

Lesson: - Isaiah 42: 1-9 p.728

Psalm- 29 (BCP) p.622

Epistle-Acts 10: 34-43 p.1104

Gospel -Matthew 3: 13-17 p.967

#### Post Communion Prayer.

Refreshed by these holy gifts, Lord God,  
we seek your mercy:  
that by listening faithfully to your only  
Son,  
and being obedient to the prompting of the  
Spirit,  
we may be your children in name and in  
truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### 10.30am Morning Prayer

#### The Gathering of God's People

Hymn 294 *Come down, O Love divine,*

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Sermon:

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305 *come sweeping through us,*

#### The Prayers of the People

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Intercessions:

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Hymn  
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#### Going out as God's People

Blessing

Recessional  
Hymn *Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us*  
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Dismissal

**READINGS for —SUNDAY 8th January 2023****The Lesson:—Isaiah 42: 1-9**

*The first Reading is from the Book of the Prophet, Isaiah  
Chapter 42, beginning to read at verse 1.*

‘Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.  
He will not shout or cry out,  
or raise his voice in the streets.  
A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out.  
In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;  
he will not falter or be discouraged  
till he establishes justice on earth.  
In his teaching the islands will put their hope.’

This is what God the LORD says –  
the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out,  
who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,  
who gives breath to its people,  
and life to those who walk on it:  
‘I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness;  
I will take hold of your hand.  
I will keep you and will make you  
to be a covenant for the people  
and a light for the Gentiles,  
to open eyes that are blind,  
to free captives from prison  
and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

‘I am the LORD; that is my name!  
I will not yield my glory to another  
or my praise to idols.  
See, the former things have taken place,  
and new things I declare;  
before they spring into being  
I announce them to you.’

*This is the Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Epistle:- Acts 10: 34-43**

*The Epistle Reading is from the Book of Acts,  
Chapter 10, beginning to read at verse 34.*

Then Peter began to speak: ‘I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

‘We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel Reading—Matthew 3: 13-17**

*(Sung Acclamation)*

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Saint Matthew,  
chapter 3, beginning to read at verse 13.*

**Glory to you , Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, ‘I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?’

Jesus replied, ‘Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.’ Then John consented.

As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.’

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*(Sung Acclamation)*



**CONFIRMATION**  
in ROSSORRY  
will take place in  
2023 on  
Sunday 12th  
March.

*Registration for Confirmation will be held in the Parish Hall at 3 pm today Sunday 8th January.*

*Classes will be held thereafter in the RECTORY each Sunday at 3pm (apart from 1/2 term on 19th February)*



**NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR ROSSORRY RECTORY**

from Thursday 3rd November 2022.

**02866 458024**



**CLOGHER DIOCESAN MAGAZINE**  
**Due to increased printing costs – it is necessary to increase the Subscription for 2023 .**

*From the February 2023 edition, onwards the cost will be £20 per year*

**Vestry Meeting**

**ROSSORY SELECT VESTRY**

will meet on Monday evening—  
9th January 2023  
at the Parish Office at 7.30 pm.



**Epiphany Carol Service**

**TONIGHT at 7.00pm**

**(see note overleaf)**



**Aisling centre**  
Hope Healing Growth

**Aisling Centre – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Hope Healing Growth Day of Inspiration 7<sup>th</sup>**

January 2022. Crest Centre, SW College, Enniskillen. Attend in person or via zoom. Fantastic line up of speakers. Further information and tickets available on Eventbrite

<https://tinyurl.com/28897tmy> or <https://theaislingcentre.com/hope-healing-growth/>.

**Aisling Centre 028 66 325811**

Check us out at

Website: [www.rossorryparish.com](http://www.rossorryparish.com)



Rossorry Parish Church



Thought for the week .....

And a voice from heaven said,

**“This is my Son, whom I LOVE; with him I am WELL pleased.”**

Matthew 3:17

## SERVICES FOR JAN / FEB 2023

<p><b><u>Sunday 8th January 2023</u></b> (1st Sunday after the Epiphany—The Baptism of our Lord) <i>The Baptism of Our Lord</i> <b><u>EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE</u></b> <i>‘The Light of God’s Glory’</i></p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 42: 1-9 Psalm 29
	10.30.am	Morning Prayer	Acts 10: 34-43 Matthew 3: 13-17 Printed Service Sheet
	7.00pm	Epiphany Carol Service	
<p><b><u>Sunday 15th January 2023</u></b> (2nd Sunday after the Epiphany)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 49: 1-7 Psalm 40: 1-12
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-4
<p><b><u>Sunday 22nd January</u></b> ( 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 9: 1-4 Psalm 27: 1, 4-12
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	1 Corinthians1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-23
<p><b><u>Sunday 29th January</u></b> ( 4th Sunday after the Epiphany)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Micah 6: 1-8 Psalm 15
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	1 Corinthians 1: 18-31 Matthew 5: 1-12
<p><b><u>Sunday 5th February</u></b> (third Sunday before Lent)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 58: 1-9 Psalm 112: 1-9
	10.30 am	Holy Communion	1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 Matthew 5: 13-20
<p><b><u>Sunday 12th February</u></b> (Second Sunday before Lent)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Genesis1:1– 2:3 Psalm 136
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	Romans 8: 18-25 Matthew 6: 25-34
<p><b><u>Sunday 19th February</u></b> (The Sunday before Lent)</p>	9.00am	Holy Communion	Exodus 24: 12-18 Psalm 99
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	2 Peter 1: 16-21 Matthew 17: 1-9

# The Light of God's Glory

*The Epiphany Procession*



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## THE EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE and PROCESSION

### INTRODUCTION

This service explores a rich tapestry of Epiphany themes.

The word Epiphany means 'showing forth' or 'manifestation'. The Feast of the Epiphany (6 January) is the occasion on which the Church celebrates the showing forth of the child Jesus to the Gentiles. But the Epiphany season recalls two other significant 'manifestations'. One is the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan by John the Baptist. The other is Jesus' first miracle, or 'sign' – the turning of water into wine at the wedding at Cana in Galilee. Each of these 'manifestations' shows us something of who Jesus is: His meeting with the Wise Men reveals him as Saviour of the world, his baptism confirms his identity as God's Son, and the miracle at Cana points to Jesus as the one who brings about the New Creation.

This Epiphany procession recalls these three manifestations of Jesus through Scripture, music, space and movement – and in so doing helps deepen our understanding of the mystery of God who, in Jesus, shares our life by taking human flesh.

The Epiphany procession may be held on any suitable occasion between the Feast of the Epiphany (6 January) and the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (2 February), though perhaps most appropriately on the Festival of the Baptism of Christ.

## The Department of Fiction in the RCB Library

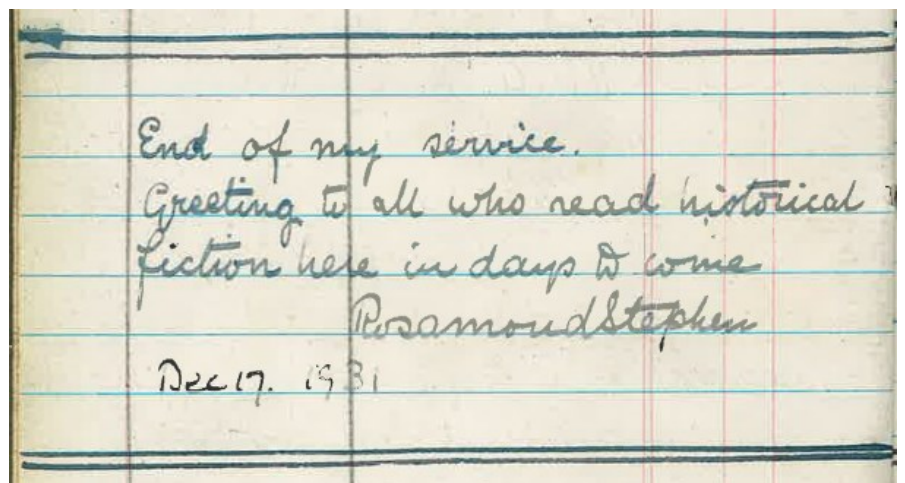
For a small and niche Library, it often comes as a surprise to visitors at the vast amount of print material that is held on site. At the moment, there are currently nearly 60,000 print items catalogued on the Library's online system. During the pandemic, Library staff used the opportunity presented by remote working to continue to retrospectively catalogue the large number of print items that were not present on the Library's online catalogue. A large percentage of these items are classed in the literature section. Being able to devote this time in a systematic fashion allowed Library staff to gain a valuable insight into how the Library developed, from its initial incarnation as the Feenish/Ardfeenish Library (sometimes called Leabharlann an Chomhludair on its bookplates) through to its eventual incorporation as the Representative Church Body Library in 1932.

Our Archive of the Month explores this development, looking at Rosamond Stephen's role in the founding of the Guild of Witness and the Guild's library, as well as her successor Geraldine FitzGerald. The novels that make up this part of the Library's collection are very much of their time, and were added to the collection in order to inform the moral and spiritual education of contemporary members. Given this, it is no surprise to see collections of the work of Jane Austen, Charles Dickens and Leo Tolstoy among others, particularly in items accessioned in the very early part of the 20th century, particularly by the Guild of Witness Library. An area of particular interest to Rosamond Stephen at this time was that of historical fiction. Indeed, Stephen kept individual handwritten books tracking accessions of this genre, as well as what novels were being read by members. During the 1930s and Geraldine FitzGerald's time as Librarian, we see the introduction of contemporary novels.



The article also tells the story of those who donated substantial items to the Library, and the importance of donations to building the print collection as a whole, as well as the literature section specifically. The article looks at two important donors to the early Library, Ethel Goddard and Linda Hillas, both of whose generous bequest made a significant contribution to adding to the original 5,000 items that were donated by by Stephen from the Guild of Witness Library.

Rosamond Stephen signs off her service to the Guild of Witness Library with this note.



# PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

**Rector:**

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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

**Parish Administrator:**

**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

<b>Retired resident clergy:</b>	Rev. Canon Desmond Kingston. Ven. C.T. Pringle.
<b>Organist:</b>	Catherine Irwin 6634 1550
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<b>Wednesday Club:</b> (Wednesday 10.30am - 12noon)	Ethel Oldcroft 6632 6339
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<b>Scouts:</b> (Tues 7:30-9:00pm)	Roger Clarke 07714 232 645
<b>Guides:</b> (Wed 8-9.15pm)	Avril Armstrong 6632 9589
<b>Mothers Union</b> (3rd Thurs. in the month)	Lorraine Simpson 66 329 469
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<b>Prayer Group</b> (2nd & 4th Wed. 7.30pm)	Parish Office 02866 329889