

# ROSSORRY

## PARISH CHURCH

**SUNDAY**  
**5th February**  
**2023**

### THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

#### SERVICES TODAY

9.00 am Holy Communion . P. 201

10.30 am Holy Communion P. 201

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty God,  
who alone can bring order to the unruly  
wills and passions of sinful humanity:  
Give your people grace  
so to love what you command  
and to desire what you promise;  
that, among the many changes of the  
world, our hearts may surely there be  
fixed where true joys are to be found;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

Lesson: - Isaiah 58 : 1-9 p.746

Psalm- 112: 1-10 (BCP) p.725

Epistle-1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 p.1145

Gospel -Matthew 5: 13-20 p.969

#### Post Communion Prayer.

Merciful Father, you gave Jesus Christ to  
be for us the bread of life,  
that those who come to him should never  
hunger.  
Draw us to our Lord in faith and love,  
that we may eat and drink with him at his  
table in the kingdom, where he is alive  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

#### 10.30am - Holy Communion

Processional  
Hymn 324

*God, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard ,*

#### The Gathering of God's People

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#### Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

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The Epistle, p. 1145

Gradual *Lord, the light of your love is shining*  
Hymn 195

The Gospel, p. 969

#### Sermon

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#### The Prayers of the People

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The Peace

Offertory *Make me a channel of your peace:*  
Hymn 503

#### Celebrating at the Lord's Table

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#### Going out as God's People

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Recessional *Longing for light,*  
Hymn S88 *we wait in darkness*

Dismissal

## **READINGS for —SUNDAY 5th February 2023**

**The Lesson:—Isaiah 58: 1-9**

*The first Reading is from the Book of the Prophet, Isaiah Chapter 58,  
beginning to read at verse 1.*

‘Shout it aloud, do not hold back.  
Raise your voice like a trumpet.  
Declare to my people their rebellion  
and to the descendants of Jacob their sins.  
For day after day they seek me out;  
they seem eager to know my ways,  
as if they were a nation that does what is right  
and has not forsaken the commands of its  
God.  
They ask me for just decisions  
and seem eager for God to come near them.  
“Why have we fasted,” they say,  
“and you have not seen it?”  
Why have we humbled ourselves,  
and you have not noticed?”  
‘Yet on the day of your fasting, you do as you  
please  
and exploit all your workers.  
Your fasting ends in quarrelling and strife,  
and in striking each other with wicked fists.  
You cannot fast as you do today  
and expect your voice to be heard on high.  
Is this the kind of fast I have chosen,  
only a day for people to humble themselves?  
Is it only for bowing one’s head like a reed  
and for lying in sackcloth and ashes?’

Is that what you call a fast,  
a day acceptable to the LORD?  
‘Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:  
to loose the chains of injustice  
and untie the cords of the yoke,  
to set the oppressed free  
and break every yoke? Is it not to share your  
food with the hungry  
and to provide the poor wanderer with  
shelter –  
when you see the naked, to clothe them,  
and not to turn away from your own flesh and  
blood?  
Then your light will break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing will quickly appear;  
then your righteousness<sup>l</sup> will go before you,  
and the glory of the LORD will be your rear  
guard.  
Then you will call, and the LORD will answer;  
you will cry for help, and he will say: here am  
I.  
‘If you do away with the yoke of oppression,  
with the pointing finger and malicious talk,

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

## **The Epistle:- 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12**

*The Epistle Reading is from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians,  
Chapter 2 reading from verse 1.*

And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God’s power.

We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. No, we declare God’s wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. However, as it is written:

‘What no eye has seen,  
 what no ear has heard,  
 and what no human mind has conceived’—  
 the things God has prepared for those who love him —  
 these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

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

### **The Gospel Reading—Matthew 5: 13-20**

*(Sung Acclamation)*

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Saint Matthew,  
 chapter 5, beginning to read at verse 13.*

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

‘You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

‘You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

‘Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practises and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

*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.**

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



**CLOGHER  
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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*



**Aisling  
centre**  
Hope Healing Growth

**Self-Care  
Sessions**  
With Aisling  
Centre Therapist  
Holly Reid .

Taster Session 7th February 10am-11am  
Course taking place 21st February - 21st  
March 2023

Suggested donation £2  
Advance booking required.

**Mindfulness drop in**  
With Siobhan Conlon  
For 17+

Starts 31st January. Then last Tuesday of the  
month

7pm-8pm (Excludes July & August)  
Free sessions / Donations welcome

Advance booking required.

For more information on any of these activities  
contact Aisling Centre on 028 6632 5811 or  
email [mmitchell@theaislingcentre.com](mailto:mmitchell@theaislingcentre.com)



A big thanks  
from the  
Foodbank for  
your recent

donations especially over Christmas.  
Please keep up the donations—the  
need has not gone away !  
Place items—dry goods , tinned  
goods , tea and coffee,  
pot noodles, pot rice  
etc in the boxes at the  
Church doors.



**COULD YOU  
READ in  
CHURCH ?**

We are currently  
putting together a list of Readers to read  
a Lesson at Services.

**Can you help ?**  
The burden will be  
small—approx. one  
reading every couple  
of months—if we get  
enough volunteers.



**Don't worry about the big words—an  
age appropriate Bible will be used—so  
young and older can participate.**

**Let Gerry know in the Office on  
02866 329889 or  
rossoryoffice@btinternet.com**

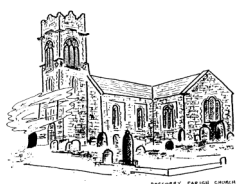
**Please indicate if you can do 9am or  
10.30am or any Service.**

Check us out at

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



**Rossorry Parish Church**



**Thought for the week .....**

**You are the salt of the earth!**

**You are the light of the world!**

## SERVICES FOR FEB / MAR 2023

<b><u>Sunday 5th February</u></b> (third Sunday before Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Isaiah 58: 1-9 Psalm 112: 1-9 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 Matthew 5: 13-20
<b><u>Sunday 12th February</u></b> (Second Sunday before Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Isaiah 49: 8-16 Psalm 131 1 Corinthians 4: 1-5 Matthew 6: 24-34
<b><u>Sunday 19th February</u></b> (The Sunday before Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Deuteronomy 11: 18-21, 26-28 Psalm 31: 1-5, 19-24 Romans 1: 16-17, 3: 22-28 Matthew 7: 21-29
<b><u>Sunday 26th February.</u></b> (1st Sunday in Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7 Psalm 32 Romans 5: 12-19 Matthew 4: 1-11
<b><u>Sunday 5th March</u></b> (2nd Sunday in Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Genesis 12: 1-4 Psalm 121 Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 Matthew 17:1-9
<b><u>Sunday 12th March</u></b> (3rd Sunday in Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-11 John 4: 5-42
<b><u>Sunday 19th March</u></b> (4th Sunday in Lent) <b><u>Mothering Sunday</u></b>	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Exodus 2: 1-10 Psalm 34: 11-20 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 Luke 2: 33-35
<b><u>Sunday 26th March</u></b> (5th Sunday in Lent)	9.00am 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Ezekiel 37: 1-14 Psalm 130 Romans 8: 6-11 John 11: 1-45

## Upcoming Events



### ROSSORRY WEDNESDAY CLUB

Rossorry Wednesday Club is back in the Parish Hall.

#### Next Meeting

Wed 1st March at 10.30am  
Speaker is Raymond Farrell on  
“Mental Health issues”.

New members most welcome



RNID in Partnership with Department of Health hold a free walk in Support Service where they can:

- Re-tube mould style hearing aids
- Clean Open-Fit style hearing aids
- Change and supply RIC wax filters
- Supply hearing aid batteries
- Advise on getting the best from your hearing aids
- Advise on equipment
- Provide information on deafness, hearing loss and tinnitus
- 3-minute hearing checks

*1st Thursday of each Month*  
*10am—11.30am*

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**Broadmeadow, Enniskillen,  
Co Fermanagh, BT74 7HR**



Rossorry Mothers' Union meeting on

9th February is open to all members of the parish when the guest speaker is John Shades from the Enniskillen Foodbank. This will be in the parish hall at 7.30pm.

*New members are most welcome.*

**\*\* Annual Fees of £30 for this year**

**are now due \*\***

*Please see Arlene*



Ulster Touring Opera presents:

### 'OPERA ON THE LOUGH'

**Thursday 9th**  
**February 2023**

**The Ardhowen Theatre**  
**Fermanagh**

Mezzo-soprano	Sarah Richmond
Baritone	Njabulo Madlala
Musical Director	David Robertson
Chorus	The Fermanagh Choral Society

On Thursday 9th February 2023, South African baritone Njabulo Madlala and Northern Irish mezzo-soprano Sarah Richmond will perform some of the world's best loved opera arias and choruses, as well as exploring music by Composers closer to home. This one-off celebration of music and opera is sure to be a highlight of the classical calendar in

## Church Leaders mark Holocaust Memorial Day



To mark this year's Holocaust Memorial Day, the Church Leaders Group (Ireland) held a time of reflection as part of their meeting in Armagh this morning. Pictured above, from left, are Archbishop John McDowell, the Church of Ireland Primate of All Ireland; Archbishop Eamon Martin, the Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland; the Revd David Nixon, the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland; Bishop Andrew Forster, the President of the Irish Council of Churches and Church of Ireland Bishop of Derry and Raphoe; and the Rt Revd Dr John Kirkpatrick, the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

### **Church Leaders Group**

*The Church Leaders Group comprises the Church of Ireland and Roman Catholic Primates of All Ireland, the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, and the President of the Irish Council of Churches.*

## PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

**Rector:**

**Revd. Stephen Mc Whirter,**

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Email: rossorry@clogher.anglican.org

**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:-** A Diocesan Pastoral Assistant, Mrs Joan Nelson is 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>	Ven. C.T. Pringle. Rev. Canon Desmond Kingston. Rev. Isobel Nixon.
<b>Organist:</b>	Catherine Irwin 6634 1550
<b>Assistant Organist</b>	Emily Donaldson 6634 1640
<b>Praise Band</b>	Catherine Irwin 6634 1550
<b>Sexton:</b>	Leslie Thompson 6632 5190 or 07791174 757
<b>Churchwardens:</b>	Gary Johnston Joy Coalter
<b>Hon Treasurer</b>	George Elliott
<b>Hon Secretary</b>	Dorothy Wilson 66346805
<b>Booking of Halls:</b>	Ring Parish Office 6632 9889
<b>Sunday School</b>	Carol Livingstone 6632 3041
<b>Freewill Envelope enquiries:</b> (or ask Churchwardens)	Contact Parish Office 66 329889
<b>Wednesday Club:</b> (Wednesday 10.30am - 12noon)	Ethel Oldcroft 6632 6339
<b>Beavers</b> (Tues. 6.30-7.30pm)	Alan Wilkinson
<b>Cubs</b> (Wed 7.00pm - - (8.00pm)	Keith Rutledge  07812214176
<b>Scouts:</b> (Tues 7:30-9:00pm)	Roger Clarke 07714 232 645
<b>Guides:</b> (Thurs 6.30pm - 7.45pm)	Avril Armstrong  6632 9589
<b>Mothers Union</b> (3rd Thurs. in the month)	Lorraine Simpson  66 329 469
<b>Bowling Club</b> (Mon. evening)	Catherine Scott 07517794435
<b>Arts &amp; Crafts Classes</b> (Wed. pm. or as announced)	Yvonne Elliott 6634 2514
<b>Prayer Group</b> (2nd & 4th Wed. 7.30pm) (TBC)	Parish Office 02866 329889