

# ParishMirror

NEWSLETTER – MARCH-APRIL 2019

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## From the Rector

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank all parishioners for their much appreciated donations to Parish funds during 2018, without which our parish would have difficulty in meeting its financial needs. Over the past few years, our costs have continued to rise, whilst donations have remained at much the same level.

Obviously, this is a position which is not sustainable. I would therefore ask that if your donation has been at the same level for the last 3 or 4 years, you might consider making a small increase to compensate for this increase in costs the parish is incurring.

If you are not on the Direct Giving donation scheme, I urge you to consider joining by completing a standing order form which, once set up, requires no further action, or alternatively by requesting weekly envelopes to make donations to the parish. For those (most) of us who are taxpayers, this has the added advantage that income tax relief can be claimed back on traceable donations of €250 or more in a calendar year, and this has proved to be a great help to us in the years since this scheme was introduced. Details of the scheme can be obtained from Anne in the parish office.

Once again, a warm thank you for your continued support of your parish.

Norman

## Rev William Gough Porter Cooper – Captain

Very seldom did the Canon speak of his time in the Army during the Second World War.

The internet does give assistance and two documents in particular. The first is the Copyright of the Queens Royal Surrey Regimental Association – 1st Battalion.

*“The whole of the Divisional Artillery plus a medium regiment and a battery of heavy artillery pounded Fort MacGregor. At 2200 hours that night 26th February, 1943, a reconnaissance patrolled by Lieut J.M. Woodhouse was sent to Fort MacGregor where they found that the heavy shelling had done its job. The hill was a ghastly sight – a mass of twisted and blasted corpses, both British and German, which had been pounded by the continual shelling. The Padre (the Reverend Gough Cooper) buried over sixty dead from an area no bigger than a football pitch.”*

Little wonder that the Canon never spoke about his war-time experience.

The second document is from the National Archives – Crown copyright

*“On 14, 15, 16, April 1943, when the 2nd Bn The Lancashire Fusiliers was engaged with the enemy in the DJ Bettjour region, Capt. Cooper CF, remained at the RAP which was on the reverse slope of the rocky Bettjour feature and constantly under heavy shell and mortar fire from the enemy.*

*“Despite the danger to which he was constantly exposed, Capt Cooper assisted the RMO in tending and evacuating the wounded – a mission that was carried out under the greatest difficulties and in the face of danger. Day and night he was unsparing in his efforts to assist the wounded and to help the Medical Officer in his difficult task.*

*“But for Capt Cooper’s untiring efforts and great devotion to duty, the collection and evacuation of wounded could not have been so successfully carried out. His cheerfulness and energy despite physical exhaustion did much to hearten those in contact with him. I strongly recommend him for an immediate award.” Lt-Col Kelly, Cmd 2 LF. This was endorsed by other Senior Officers and Canon Cooper was awarded the Military Cross on the 15/06/1943.”*

Derek Moffatt

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Further information about Parish Officers and Parish Organisations at the Parish Website: <http://malahide.dublin.anglican.org/>

## Parish Registers

### Christian Baptism

26th January, in St Andrew's Church, **Hannah, daughter of Steven & Cliona Worrell**, 4 Mount Drinan Crescent, Swords

27th January, in St Andrew's Church, **Emelia Charlotte, daughter of Robert & Grace Bagnall**, 4 Whitegables, Malahide

### Sustentation Giving

Some families who have been subscribing to the sustentation scheme by standing orders have asked why they have also received envelopes, and is this not a waste of money?

However, the envelopes still have to be produced in sequence (if you are, say, 234 and give by standing order, envelope 234 must be made if 235 or a higher number gives by the envelope scheme). Interestingly, quite a number of these envelopes are used at Christmas and Easter to make 'top-up' donations which enables us to get more tax back from the Revenue Commissioners

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

After a couple of years' gap, we held a service this year on 23rd January. It was very well attended, with participation from all the churches in the Malahide Area. The theme was 'justice', and we heard a memorable sermon from Bishop Trevor Williams based upon his experiences with the reconciliation work of the Corrymeela Community in the divided communities of Northern Ireland, with which he is still much involved. The service was held in St Sylvester's R.C. Church and we thank Fr Kevin Moore and his team for the hospitality received by all who attended for worship and for fellowship afterwards.

### Select Vestry Meeting

As many of the Select Vestry as were available hosted a very interesting talk by Olive Good on Safeguarding Trust on January 28th. It was extremely informative and we all came away with a new understanding of Safeguarding, both children and adults. We thank Olive for taking the time out of a very busy schedule.

The Register of Vestrypersons was revised at the February Select Vestry meeting: four names were removed through death, and five have moved away, while eight were added: Suzanne Archer-Murphy, Grace Bagnall, Robert Bagnall, Elizabeth Beazley, Reet Dreimanis, Craig Kilpatrick, Emma Kilpatrick, and Frances Toher. We welcome them aboard. The Select Vestry also heard of work undertaken and planned at St Doulagh's and of progress in the refurbishment of the Old School House in front of the school, and were briefed on the parish accounts for last year, which were basically balanced but contained some trends which will have to be addressed during the coming year.

## Wednesday Lenten meetings

The Week of Prayer theme was 'Justice' and the local Ecumenical Committee is continuing this theme for the series of Wednesday evenings which have been held for many years. Details are still being finalised, as Easter is remarkably late this year, but venues and speakers are as follows (all at 8.00 pm):

Mar 13th Malahide Presbyterian Church, Rev Trevor Johnston, Rector of All Saints' University Street, Belfast

Mar 20th St Anne's Church, Portmarnock, Nora Owen, Malahide resident, former TD and Minister of Justice

Mar 27th. St Andrew's Church, Malahide, Very Rev Gerry Tanham PP of Howth

April 3rd In Seabury R.C. Church, Dr Lucy Michael, parishioner of St Andrew's and Lecturer in Sociology in the University of Ulster. Lucy is also President of the Sociological Association of Ireland. She is an expert on victim reporting and experiences of violence and discrimination, and integration.

April 10th In St Sylvester's Church, details being finalised

Full details will all these meetings will be on the parish website as soon as available.

### St Patrick's Day

This year St Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday and will be celebrated in both churches with celebrations of the eucharist at 10.00 am (St Doulagh's) and 11.30 am (St Andrew's). There will not be the usual Parents & Toddlers' Service in St Andrew's at 1030 am.

### Malahide Sea Scouts 1919-2019

Malahide Sea Scouts is the largest Sea Scout Troop in Ireland with hundreds of active members: indeed it is by far the largest youth organisation in Malahide. Originally a parish-based troop, over the years it took on a wider community role, outgrew the space the parish then could offer, and acquired splendid premises beside the Yacht Club on the Estuary.

To mark its centenary, there will be a special service in St Andrew's Church on Sunday 24th March at 1130am, with a parade to the Church, when the preacher will be Rev Willie Black, Dublin Port Chaplain of the Mission to Seafarers.

All are welcome, and especially those who were members in its earlier days and have moved away and read these notes.

### St Doulagh's Church

Our glebewardens, Ian Watkins and Ken McAllister have installed new floodlighting around St Doulagh's Church. The former system was expensive to operate and was worn out. The new state-of-the-art system puts St.

## Parish Notes

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Doulagh's back on the night-time map as well as having a number of features which will greatly improve our security at a building which is physically very much on its own with no neighbours! We thank Ken and Ian for all they do for the parish to keep everything in good order.

## Elizabeth Bloxham

Last year, attention was drawn to the grave of Elizabeth Bloxham in St Andrew's Churchyard. Born in Mayo in 1877, her father was in the RIC, but she herself developed republican tendencies. In 1900 she was a founder member of Inghinidhe na hEireann, became friendly with many suffragettes. She worked in Newtownards as a domestic science teacher and was a founder member of Cumann na mBan in 1914. After publicly being involved in protests about the Batchelors Walk shootings, and appearing beside Patrick Pearse at O'Donovan Rossa's funeral, she was dismissed from her job and had to leave Newtownards. After the 1916 Rising she moved to Trim and in 1944 retired to Rathgar and was buried in St Andrew's Churchyard in 1962, aged 85. Tread lightly, for you never know who lies beneath your feet when you visit us!

## Friends of St Doulagh's

Recently Colin MacKenzie gave us a sketch of St Doulagh's Church which was raffled at the Christmas Market & won by Mary Smith from Kilbarrack.

Kevin Hayes donated a Black & White print of the Church which was raffled during December & won by Brian Critchlow from Newcastle, UK.

Both pictures were really beautiful. Many thanks to Colin & Kevin for their generosity.

The money raised went to the Restoration Fund.

*Norma Williams*

## Malahide Mothers' Union

LISTEN, OBSERVE, ACT - IN STEP WITH GOD.



In December, our very successful auction raised €635 in aid of M.U. Overseas Relief Fund. Many thanks to all who donated items to be auctioned and to all who so generously bid for the great variety of bargains. As well as being a very profitable evening, it was also great fun.

Our New Year lunch in January was very well attended by M.U. members and also by many friends who joined us for a lovely meal, plenty of chat and a free raffle -where could you get better value! Again we were very well looked after by the staff of Oscar Taylors.

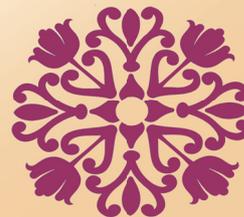
On February 14th, Dr. Dara Meldrum, Physiotherapist, was our speaker at our Branch Meeting. Dr Meldrum dealt in her talk with our balance and avoiding falls, information on how we can help ourselves stay fit, and how to recognise when we should seek medical advice. It was a very well attended meeting with many friends joining us and it was followed by Valentine's Day themed refreshments.

Our Meeting on 14th March will be 'Our Favourite Desserts'. There will be a Literature Stall at this meeting.

Mothering Sunday on 31st March. As usual the Mothers' Union is helping to prepare the Service. In place of the address, Susan Gamble and Jennifer Young will be 'in Conversation' on 'Mothering'.

On 11th April, we will have our Closing Service in St. Andrew's Room, Parish Centre followed by the A.G.M.

*Olive Haynes*



## Youth and Children Update

Our Mission: We believe in taking the faith of our church into the community by planting the seeds of Christianity into all children and youth we meet. We realise this by doing talks, events and sharing of our faith story to all those around us in schools, assemblies and anywhere we are invited to go to spread the faith.

### Planned Activities:

**Messy Church** will take place on the 1st Sunday night of each month from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm. This is for the whole family to come and worship together. Each night is a themed night. We have crafts, celebration time (worship) and end with tea together in fellowship. The next dates for Messy Church are **3rd March** and **14th April**.

**Parent & Toddler Service** is for all families with children. The format includes a simple prayer, Bible story and some songs. It takes place on 3rd Sunday of each month at 10.30 am. We have a short time of refreshment and fellowship afterwards. The next service is on **17th March** and an **All Age Easter Service** will take place on **21st April** at 11:30 am.

**Confirmation classes** take place at 6.30 pm on Sunday evenings in St Andrew's Church. We have 12 confirmands who are learning of faith and scripture as they prepare for the Confirmation service at Howth on **Sunday 5th May at 3:00 pm**. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. .

Blessings,

*Jamie Heffelfinger Parish Youth Worker*  
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## Going... Going.....Gone!!!!



For over a year, a large broken bough has precariously rested midway up the tall 120ft. poplar tree in St. Andrew's Churchyard.

Following a recent inspection of the tree, it was discovered that the tree was in an extremely dangerous condition with the main trunk badly decayed. It was reluctantly decided to remove the tree.

The task was carried out by tree surgeon Marcus O' Riain and his team, under the watchful eye of Ruari Delaney, our churchyard gardener.

We are deeply indebted to our neighbour, Mrs. Tuite and her son Patrick for allowing us to access to their property to carry out the work.



## CHRISTMAS MARKET! WIND UP 2018 – SET UP 2019

A special gathering took place on Friday 22nd February 2019 in the Coffee Dock, St. Andrew's Parish Centre, to thank all those who helped in so many ways towards the success of the 2018 event. From transporters, and table movers, stall and raffle organisers, catering of various kinds, advertising, PR, social media team, the banking crew and those who helped clear up at the end of the Market, all enjoyed a great social evening with lots of chat, finger food, wine etc.

A special word of thanks to Lidl (Portmarnock Store) and Sheridans Cheesemongers (Swords Branch) for their support. And to our wine supplier.

KEEP SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2019 FREE!



## Malahide Active Retired Association MARA

**If you are over 55, why not come and join us!**

**We meet in  
The Malahide Library  
On the  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month  
From 10.30 to 12.15pm**

After tea and coffee, we have a speaker.  
We organise trips to the Theatre and  
Concerts.

We also organise a Major Outing Every June.

Other activities include:-  
Keep Fit, Computer Classes, Art Classes and Bowls.

*You would be most welcome to come to any of our  
meetings and see for yourself.*

**Contact: Dorothy Robinson  
8451232**

## St. Andrew's Recipe

### QUICK-FIX OATIES

#### Ingredients:

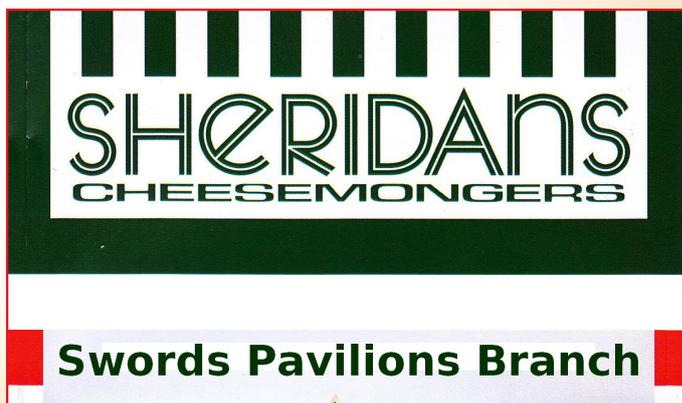
- 6 oz Margarine
- 9 oz Oatmeal
- 3 oz Sugar
- Golden Syrup (optional)
- a little flour to bind together



#### Method:

1. Melt margarine and sugar together in a saucepan.
2. Stir in the oatmeal and mix well
3. Add golden syrup and flour
4. Cut into biscuit shapes and place on a baking tray
5. Bake in a medium oven for 10-15 mins until golden brown

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## Daily Service at 9.15 am

Morning Prayer will be said in St Marnock's Chapel in St Andrew's each morning Mon – Sat, except during Holy Week when there are celebrations of the Eucharist at 7.30 am. In this service, the scriptures are read in a structured and devotional manner, and prayers offered for the parish and the needs of the world.

All are welcome to come along. Parking is available for the duration of the service in the Rectory

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#### St. Andrew's

Hazel Bolton  
Graeme Tarbox

#### St. Doulagh's

John Young  
Jennifer Young



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Monday – Friday 10.00 – 12.30  
and 2.00 – 4.30.

Free legal information on the last  
Saturday of each month.

## Church Services

March

### St. Andrew's Church, Malahide: Sunday Services

3rd	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Sunday before Lent</b>	11.30 am	Eucharist with Children's Church
	6.00 pm	'Messy Church'
10th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>First in Lent</b>	11.30 am	All-Age Eucharist
	6.30 pm	Eucharist
17th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>St Patrick, Bishop</b>	10.30 am	Parent & Toddler Service
	11.30 am	Eucharist
	6.30 pm	Ministry of Healing
24th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Third of Lent</b>	11.30 am	Service to mark 100 Years of Scouting in Malahide Rev Willie Black, Dublin Port Chaplain
	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer
31st	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Fourth in Lent</b>	11.30 am	'All Age Service' organised by the Mothers' Union
(Mothering Sunday)	6.30 pm	Compline

### Weekday Services

Friday 1st <b>Womens' World Day of Prayer</b>	11.00 am,	in Seabury Church
Wednesday 6th <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	9.15 am	Matins
	11.00 am	Penitential Service and Eucharist
Wednesday 13rd	11.00 am	Eucharist
Tuesday 19th <b>St Joseph of Nazareth</b>	9.15 am	Eucharist
Wednesday 20th	11.00 am	Eucharist
Monday 25th <b>Annunciation of Christ</b>		
Wednesday 26th	11.00 am	Eucharist

### St. Doulagh's Church, Balgriffin (all services at 10.00 am)

3rd	Morning Prayer
10th	Eucharist
17th	Eucharist (St Patrick Bp)
24th	Eucharist
31st	Morning Prayer

April

### St. Andrew's Church, Malahide: Sunday Services

7th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Fifth in Lent</b>	11.30 am	'All Age' Eucharist
(Passion Sunday)	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer
14th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Sixth in Lent</b>	11.30 am	'All Age' Service including Procession and Blessing of Palms
(Palm Sunday)	6.00 pm	'Messy Church'
21st	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Easter Day</b>	11.30 am	'All Age' Eucharist
	6.30 pm	Ministry of Healing
28th	8.00 am	Eucharist
<b>Second of Easter</b>	11.30 am	'All Age' Service
	6.30 pm	Eucharist

### Weekday Services

Wednesday 3rd	11.00 am	Eucharist
Wednesday 10th	11.00 am	Eucharist
Wednesday 24th	11.00 am	Eucharist

### Holy Week.

Monday 15th	7.30 am	Eucharist
	8.00 pm	Late Evening Office 'Cleansing the Temple'
Tuesday 16th	7.30 am	Eucharist
	8.00 pm	Late Evening Office 'Signs of the End Time'
Wednesday 17th	7.30 am	Eucharist
	11.00 am	Eucharist
	8.00 pm	Late Evening Office 'Treachery and Injustice'
Thursday 18th	7.30 am	Eucharist
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	8.00 pm	Eucharist of the Institution of the Holy Communion
Friday 19th	2.00 pm	Holy Hour of Prayer and Meditation
<b>Good Friday</b>	7.00 pm	Evening Prayer 'Death is swallowed up... our Hope'
Saturday 20th <b>Easter Eve</b>	9.15 am	Matins

### St. Doulagh's Church, Balgriffin

7th	10.00 am	Morning Prayer ( <b>Passion Sunday</b> )
14th	10.00 am	Morning Prayer with Blessing of Palms ( <b>Palm Sunday</b> )
Friday 19th	10.00 am	'All Age' Service ( <b>Good Friday</b> )
Sunday 21st	6.00 am	Sunrise Eucharist ( <b>Easter Day</b> )
	10.00 am	Family Eucharist
28th	10.00 am	Eucharist

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