

ParishMirror

From the Rector

Dear Parishioners,

The summer past has been a strange time, a period of great unease, between Islamic State and its horrific acts and the evolution of the nightmare that is the American Presidency, and the war of insults between the President and North Korea. That is not to mention Brexit, whose ramifications look likely to resonate across Europe in the coming months.

And religious labels abound, whether of a perverted Islam or the machinations of some of the American evangelical far-right whose manoeuvrings have placed Trump in the White House, or indeed the philosophy of North Korea, a kind of atheistic religion based on the divine right of the Kim family to rule their country with an iron fist.

How should Christians do in the turmoil of today's political sphere? I suggest that we imitate Jesus who did his civic duty by paying his taxes. But he didn't get involved in the divided politics of Judea in his day. When faced with a challenge based around paying taxes to the Romans, he asked whose head was on the coins, and he had friends and acquaintances across the political spectrum from Jewish leaders to Roman centurions.

Jesus often condemned injustice and greed. He did not play the system so that he could live a lavish lifestyle. The principle of his life was not profit or power, but telling those he met through what he said or did that the very basis of God was love.

Jesus never got the opportunity to vote. There were no parliaments or political parties in the Judea of his time. Eventually, the corruption of political society enmeshed him in its coils and thought it had rid itself of the challenge Jesus' very goodness posed. Instead

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Parish Finances-----A Mid-year Update

At the end of June, having completed the first half of the year, it is time to review how our parish is progressing financially against the 2017 plan set by the Select Vestry at the start of the year.

Income for the first 6 months of the year is better than forecasted, by approximately 8%, with all major areas contributing positively.

Property Expenditure is running €5.8k lower than planned. This figure is somewhat distorted, as we received a credit note for €3.7k from Bord Gais in Qr.2, due to persistent overcharging for electricity supplies to St. Doulagh's Church over the past year; hence the real position shows a saving of approximately 6%.

All other Expenditures are broadly in line with the plan, with very little total variance.

As a result of the improved income and lower than planned expenditure, I am pleased to report that the overall financial performance for the period shows a small surplus of income over expenditure of €6k approx.

Assuming we can maintain property expenses in line with the plan for the second half of the year and income projections continue to hold up, especially the Christmas Market income, we should be on target to at least break even for the full year.

On behalf of the Select Vestry, I would like to thank all parishioners for their valued and generous contributions to date and I look forward to your continuing support during the 2nd half of the year.

*Brian Brown
(Hon. Treasurer)*



Rev. Dr. Adrian Empey speaking during Heritage Week at St. Doulagh's Church on Wed. 23rd Aug., on the subject " Parish Churches in Medieval Ireland"

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

Parish Registers

Holy Baptism

17th June, in St Andrew's, Luke Richard Ulrich Hantzsch, son of Nicholas Hantzsch and Suzanne Fleury, 35 Fehrbellinger Strasse, Berlin.

13th August, in St Andrew's, Dualta Eamon O Conaill, son of Sean O Conaill and Rachael Mullock, 4 Cooper's Wood, Kinsealy.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to Cliff Taylor, (Millview) on the recent death of his mother in Rathfarnham., to Nigel Warburton (Swords) and his family on the recent death of his stepmother, and to Millie Foot (Mountfield), whose sister has died in Salisbury.

Farewell

In recent weeks, we have said farewell to Harry and Susan Campbell, who have moved to Guildford in Surrey. Susan was a regular attender at the 8.00 am Eucharist in St Andrew's, and we wish them well in their new home. Another regular member of St Andrew's, Shirley Adamson of Coill Dubh, has moved to Lucan and will be greatly missed.

Among the staff of other local churches, we say goodbye to Fr Frank Reburn, of Yellow Walls, who has been transferred to Ballymun Road, and to Gertrude Gill, Parish Worker in the Malahide group of Roman Catholic parishes. Gertrude has been an enthusiastic member of the local Ecumenical Committee, and has been at many functions and events in St Andrew's. We wish them both well in their new assignments.

Substitute Duty

From 24th Sept to 6th October, in case of pastoral emergency, please contact Rev Canon Kevin Brew (8323019)

Visiting preacher

On Sunday 1st October, the Rector will be preaching in the Anglican Chaplaincy in Budapest, and the celebrant and preacher at the 11.30 am service will be Rev Robert Lawson. Robert lives in Castleknock and assists in a Non-Stipendary capacity in Christ Church Cathedral

Harvest Thanksgiving

Harvest Thanksgiving has been a regular feature of Anglican worship ever since 1843, a rotten year for farming, when the Rector of Morwenstow in Cornwall, Rev Stephen Robert Hawker invited his parishioners to a Harvest service where he gave thanks to God for providing such plenty as they had.

We live in a world increasingly aware of its fragility, and even in such an urban society as ours, we need to be aware of our dependence on the harvest of land and sea and give thanks for it.

This year, we will have three harvest services. The first will be in St Andrew's on Sunday 24th September at 11.30 am when the preacher will be Rev Eugene Griffin, curate of Castleknock. Eugene is a former teacher and musician, and is one of the organisers of the very successful Primary School service held every autumn in Christ Church Cathedral.

This service will be an 'All Age' service, suitable for young and old alike!

The Harvest Thanksgiving in St Doulagh's will consist of two services on Sunday 8th October. The first will be held at 10.00 am, when the preacher will be Ven Richard Dadswell, formerly Archdeacon of Killala and Rector of the very rural parish of Ballisodare, in Co Sligo. Richard now lives in retirement in Rathfriland and worships in Down Cathedral. This service will be a celebration of the Eucharist, and in a break with tradition, will use the modern rather than the traditional service.

The evening service at 7.00 pm will be Evening Prayer, and the preacher will be Canon Kevin Brew, Rector of Howth, who will be known to many of us. Kevin, too, knows the land and countryside well, having served in Mountmellick, Co Laois and Ahoghill, Co Antrim before coming to Howth. This service enables us to invite friends and neighbours to the rural surroundings of St Doulagh's without asking them to come to us instead of their normal place of worship, and everyone is welcome to come along and bring a friend!

The churches will be decorated for the harvest, and perhaps some who have not been involved in this up to now, might like to join in? If you cannot actually decorate, we would also welcome gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables for those who are doing the work

After-Church Refreshments

Tea and Coffee after the Sunday morning service in St Andrew's has been a great success, giving time and opportunity for visitors to feel welcome and for all of us to get to know each other better.

Initially, it was the 4th Sunday of each month, however, over the past six months we have included the 2nd Sunday and this has been much appreciated. We now feel the time is right to include every Sunday. Arrangements with Christine Mullock's team will probably stay as it is. Anyone willing to be part of the team for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sunday's please contact Susan Gamble (8454770 or 086-8155308). We envisage a three to four monthly rota if enough people are willing to give of their time.

Confirmation Classes

These will begin in October. Candidates should be 14 years old by next Easter and classes will be held on Sunday evenings beginning with the evening service at 6.30 pm on Sunday 15th October. In order to explain the course, parents as well as candidates are asked to attend this first evening.

In order to ensure we have enough books etc. I would greatly appreciate it if candidates' names were given to me by mid-September.

Classes for adults will also be held and any adult who has not been confirmed and wishes to do so, should contact me at 8454770/ 086-8153277.

Norman

Christmas Market

This annual fund-raiser and social event will be held on Saturday 25th November in the Parish Hall. We ask everyone to become involved, and hope that we can reach our target of €20,000 this year!

To achieve this we need the following:

Items for the stalls. Now is the time to think about making jam,
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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:

Our Kids' Club Camp takes place on Friday afternoons during school term in the Parish Centre from 12:40 pm to 3:30 pm.. The programme involves arts and crafts similar to those used in Messy Church. We also play games, talk about faith and have a snack together. Planned dates for the coming year are 1 Sept, 12 Jan, and 13 April.

Messy Church (NOTE THE TIME CHANGE) 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. Everyone is welcome. Messy Church dates for your calendar are: 1st Oct., 5th Nov. and 3rd Dec.

Children's Church is on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month. All children are welcome to come to the Chapel after the Gospel reading.

Confirmation Classes are starting back on Sunday 15th Oct. at 6:30 pm. All parents and youth are asked to come to this first session if interested.

Anois. The Church of Ireland Youth Department has cancelled Anois this year. Coincidentally, Autumn Soul programme called Breathe is scheduled to take place on the same weekend from 27th -29th Oct. It is run by the Irish Methodist Church Youth Department in Bangor, Northern Ireland. The cost is € 50 for the three days, if payment is made before 25th Sept., or €60 euro for payments after this date. The programme starts at 7.00 pm on 27th Oct. and runs until 29th Oct at 3.00 pm. I will be going to the event and have space to take youth members with me. If you are interested in attending, please contact me ASAP.

I would like to acknowledge and thank John Mangan, chaplain of Malahide Community School, for inviting me to continue to teach R.E. classes at the school during 2017 / 2018 year.

Jamie Heffelfinger Parish Youth Worker
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The Sunday School teacher was describing that when Lot's wife looked back at Sodom she turned into a pillar of salt, when Bobby interrupted. "My mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced, "and she turned into a telephone pole."

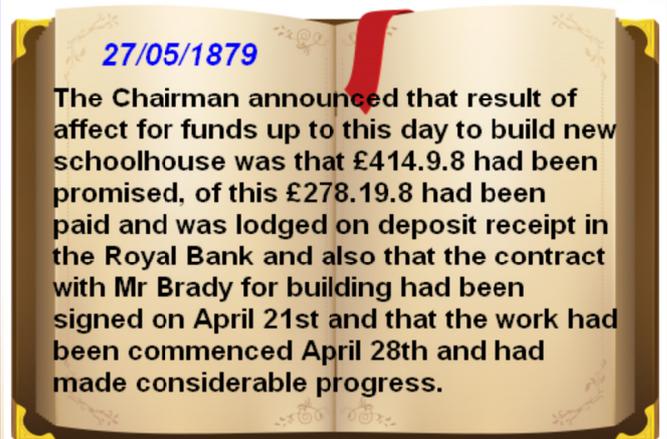
BOOK STALL - CHRISTMAS MARKET

Books in good condition, Jigsaws and DVDs are needed for the Book Stall at the Christmas Market. Please no magazines or sets of magazines. Thank you!



Contacts: Andrea - 8463703, Olive - 8450745.

Reeling through the Select Vestry Minutes



27/05/1879

The Chairman announced that result of affect for funds up to this day to build new schoolhouse was that £414.9.8 had been promised, of this £278.19.8 had been paid and was lodged on deposit receipt in the Royal Bank and also that the contract with Mr Brady for building had been signed on April 21st and that the work had been commenced April 28th and had made considerable progress.

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baking cakes and buns and whatever you do best, giving us some bottles for the bottle stall, items for the gifts stall, toys for the toy stall, books for the bookstall and some of those antiques and bric-a-brac that have been in the loft or garage for ages!

Help with the raffle! Do you know anyone or anything that you may be able to persuade someone to give to the raffle? This is urgent as we need to have the list of prizes together before we apply to the Gardai for the licence! Please contact Emer Bryan or Pat Barker if you can help out in this regard. Also, we need a few hardy volunteers to sell tickets outside Dunnes Stores in Portmarnock. This has been particularly profitable in the last couple of years. It is also a particularly good way of telling people it is on, and that we exist!

Suggest new ideas You may have a good idea which can be shared with the organising team! They may even feel it is so good that they will ask you to help put it into practice or even, do it yourself!

Help get the Parish Centre ready for the market. Many hands needed for this one on the Thursday and Friday evenings before the big day! If you have time, come along, and don't leave it to the small group you think will be there on the day!

Help on the day. We need people to staff the stalls, provide security, tell your friends about the Market and get them to come along. We need the community to row in behind us by being present and buying! We cannot do it on our own!

All Saints' Tide

This will be upon us before the next issue of the Mirror appears!

All Saints' Day will be on Wednesday 1st November and there will be celebrations of the Eucharist in St Doulagh's at 10.00 am and in St Andrew's at 11.00 am.

The Annual Service for all who have experienced bereavement during the past year will be held in St Andrew's Church on the evening of All Soul's Day (Thursday 2nd November) at 8.00 pm and all are welcome to come along.

Irish Cancer Society

The Irish Cancer Society operates a free Volunteer Driver Service that is available to patients attending the following hospitals for chemotherapy treatments; The Mater; Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown & St. James's Hospital. Volunteer drivers will pick a patient up at the door of their home, drop them at the hospital door and then when finished treatment, pick them up and drop them home again. All volunteer expenses are paid. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 01 2310 522.

St Andrew's Indoor Bowls Club.

The Bowls Club will resume activity on Wednesday 12th September. New members are very welcome to come along: no previous experience necessary!

St Andrew's Table Tennis Club

The Table Tennis Club will be back in action by the time you read this. Junior Table Tennis is from 7 to 8.00 pm, and adults from 8.00 pm on. New members are very welcome. Details from

Arthur Thompson (8463703)

Lumen

The Lumen Centre is run by the Dominican Order at Sion Hill, Blackrock, and operates a very varied adult education programme. Copies of their autumn programme are in the porch of St Andrew's along with booking forms, covering a wide range of issues from theology and biblical studies to courses in modern languages, and the theology is very ecumenical, both in subject matter and speakers.

After explaining the commandment to honour your father and mother, a Sunday School teacher asked her class if there was a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters.

One boy, the oldest in his family, immediately answered, "Thou shalt not kill."

Lot again... A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt."

His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

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one man was transformed into many, and Christians have always fought injustice and selfishness wherever they have found it.

If refugees from Syria, Iraq and Lebanon had been treated with love and a welcome, would we have had the young people who have turned to crime in the slums of Europe and thence in their frustration have turned to the horrific perversion of Islamic State? I doubt it! The failure of Christians to welcome the stranger is a contributing factor in the present situation.

In Ireland, we do not have a Christian political party. Christians can join most parties with a clear conscience, and we should participate actively in political activity, for if we do not do so, others will move in to fill the vacuum and we cannot complain if the result is not pleasing to us!

Christians of all traditions need to restore faith as a respectable subject into the market place of social debate. However, we need to remember that we are Christians, not members of different denominations who put our divisions before our commitment to the common Christian core which Christians of all traditions share. Only then can our country and the wider world become a godly place in which God in Christ is honoured and his values of love, fellowship and the priority of others in our concerns rise to the top of our society.

Yours,

Norman



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Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

Our 2017/2018 Season is starting this year with the Festival Service in Christ Church Cathedral on Thursday 7th September at 7.30. The preacher will be Lynne Tembey, our World Wide President.

On Saturday 9th September, 22 of our members are travelling to The Big Sing in the National Concert Hall. This is part of the celebrations this year to mark the 130th Anniversary of Mothers' Union in Ireland.

Our own Branch in Malahide will open on Thursday 14th September with a Service in the St. Andrew's Room in the Parish Centre at 7.30. Following the Service, members will have an opportunity to hear about our Programme for the coming season. Members are asked to bring a favourite or an interesting item to the Meeting, and to tell us why it is special to them.

We are looking forward to getting together again. And to those who are not members of the Mothers' Union, we would be delighted to welcome you to any of our Meetings, held on the second Thursday of each month in the Parish Centre.

Christine Mullock



St. Andrew's Malahide Table Tennis

Starts

Monday 18th September in the Parish Centre



Times:

Boys and Girls 8 years and older: 7-8pm

Adults: From 8pm

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New members always welcome!

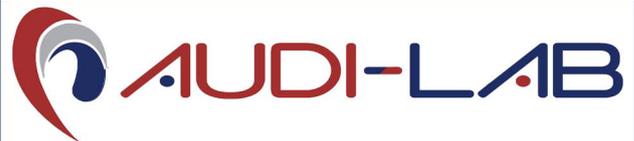
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All are welcome to come along. Parking is available for the duration of the service in the Rectory

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Church Services

September

St. Andrew's Church, Malahide: Sunday Services

3rd Twelfth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am Eucharist 6.30 pm 'Messy Church'
10 th Thirteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am 'All Age' Eucharist 6.30 pm Eucharist
17 th Fourteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 10.30 am Toddlers' Service 11.30 am Eucharist 6.30 pm Ministry of Healing
24 th Fifteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am Family Service for Harvest Thanksgiving Preacher, Rev Eugene Griffin 6.30 pm Eucharist

Weekday Services

Wednesday 6 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Wednesday 13 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Thursday 14 th Holy Cross Day	9.15 am Eucharist
Wednesday 20 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Thursday 21 st St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist & Martyr	9.15 am Eucharist
Wednesday 27 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Friday 29 th St Michael & All Angels	9.15 am Eucharist

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

3rd	Morning Prayer
10 th	Eucharist
17 th	Morning Prayer
24 th	Eucharist

October

St. Andrew's Church, Malahide: Sunday Services

1 st Sixteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am Eucharist 6.00 pm 'Messy Church'
8 th Seventeenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am 'All Age' Eucharist HARVEST THANKSGIVING AT 7PM IN ST DOULAGH'S
16 th Eighteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 10.30 am Parents and Toddlers' Service 11.30 am Eucharist 6.30 pm Ministry of Healing
22 nd Nineteenth after Trinity	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am 'All Age' Service 6.30 pm Eucharist
29 th Fifth before Advent	8.00 am Eucharist 11.30 am Morning Prayer with prayers for healing 6.30 pm Compline

Weekday Services

Wednesday 4 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Wednesday 11 th St Philip the Deacon	11.00 am Eucharist
Wednesday 18 th St Luke the Evangelist	11.00 am Eucharist
Monday 23 rd St James, Brother of the Lord	
Wednesday 25 th	11.00 am Eucharist
Saturday 28 th SS Simon & Jude, Apostles and Martyrs	9.15 am Eucharist

St. Doulagh's Church, Balgriffin

1 st	10.00 am Morning Prayer
8 th	10.00 am Eucharist (Harvest Thanksgiving) Preacher: Ven Richard Dadswell 7.00 pm Evening Prayer (Harvest Thanksgiving): Rev Canon Kevin Brew
15 th	10.00 am Morning Prayer
22 nd	10.00 am Eucharist
29 th	10.00 am Morning Prayer

St. Andrew's Recipe

Sausage Pie

Ingredients:

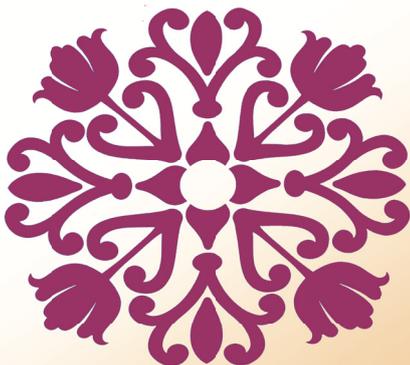
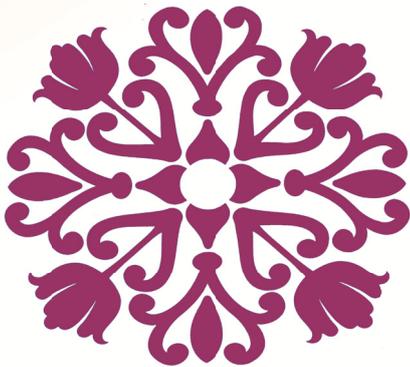
- 1lb sausage meat
- salt and papper
- 2 tins tomatoes (drained)
- mashed potatoes



Method:

1. Place sausage meat in bottom of ovenproof dish
2. Pour on tomatoes and mashed potatoes on top
3. Cook in a moderate oven for 1-1 1/2 hours.

Enjoy!



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