

# St Patrick's Parish News



Winter 2020



## Lockdown at St Patrick's Online

### Sundays

11:30am Zoom service: Zoom Meeting ID: 212 570 4391  
Facebook Services will continue on  
[www.facebook.com/stpatricksbroughshane](http://www.facebook.com/stpatricksbroughshane)  
Youtube service accessed on the Church website at  
<https://www.stpatricksbroughshane.com>

### Tuesdays

3:30pm The Jesus storybook  
Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksbroughshane>  
Website: <https://www.stpatricksbroughshane.com>

### Wednesdays

11.00am Date with the Deacon: Contact Andrea at  
[Cotteran@TCD.ie](mailto:Cotteran@TCD.ie)

12noon Advent in Exodus reflections  
Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksbroughshane>  
Website: <https://www.stpatricksbroughshane.com>

### Thursdays

8.00pm Going Deeper Bible Study  
Zoom Meeting ID: 212 570 4391



## The Rector writes.....

There is much excitement with the prospect of different COVID vaccines, and with them comes hope for an end to the pandemic - even with a second lockdown in place. Since March, COVID has blighted our community, impacting on every level of our lives, but there is hope for restoration.

The vaccine gives hope for the end of a disease and restoration of the world. It seems entirely appropriate that hope come as we enter Advent: a time of hope, as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' first coming. We look forward to his return, and, with Him, the end, not only of this disease, but all diseases. His return will see not only restoration of the world, but the perfecting of the world: John looks forward to it in Revelation 21 verses 3 to 5: *"...Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new"...!"*

Advent beckons us to this hope, drawing our eyes towards a greater world than the one we live in, with its sickness and death. COVID has brought our society face-to-face with its mortality, but in the midst of this disease, we look forward in hope to a new world, where death, mourning, crying or pain are no more. This is the new world that Jesus promises us when he returns.

This advent hope appears in a rhyme in the C.S. Lewis' book *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe*, where Beaver says: *"...Wrong will be right when Aslan comes into sight, at the sound of his roar, sorrows will be no more, when he bares his teeth, winter meets its death, and when he shakes his mane, we shall have spring again..."*

As we look forward to a vaccine that will remove this disease, let us fix our eyes on the one who would end all disease and death, as he not only restores the world, but also perfects it with his coming: *"...let us fix our eyes on Jesus..."*. (Hebrews 12:2)

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Your friend and Rector

*Andrew*

## **A message from the Deacon.....**

I have now been ordained a Deacon and working in the Parish since September. I want to thank you all for the warm welcome that I have received. I have very much enjoyed getting to know some of you and worshipping alongside you.

My Deacon year is turning out to be a totally different experience to what I had imagined. I have been unable to visit any of you in your homes and begin to get to know you. There have been no activities during the week to pop in and say hello. I have not been travelling to Dublin to study and have been doing that from home.

So, I fill my time, preparing for services, working my way through the lists as I telephone round to introduce myself and dissertation writing. I have been holding zoom 'Date with the Deacon' sessions on a Wednesday morning, and I encourage any of you who can zoom to come along to these. If you would like more information on these or just a chat please email me on [Cotteran@tcd.ie](mailto:Cotteran@tcd.ie) or call me on 07368 821785.

*Andrea*



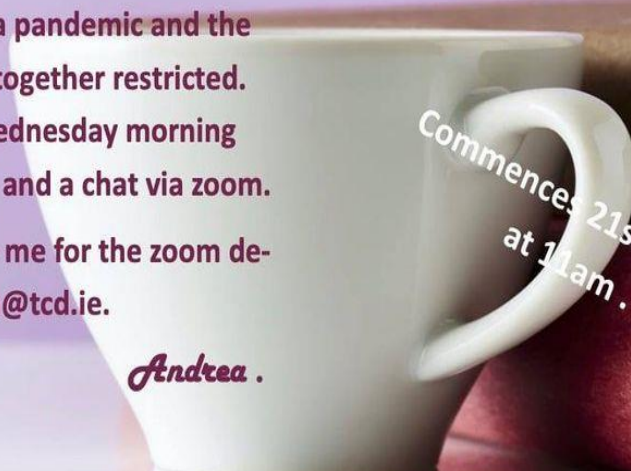
## ***DATE WITH OUR DEACON***

In the midst of a pandemic and the ability to meet together restricted. Join me on a Wednesday morning for a cup coffee and a chat via zoom. Please message me for the zoom details at [Cotteran@tcd.ie](mailto:Cotteran@tcd.ie).

*Andrea .*



Commences 21st October  
at 11am.





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**WE NEED**

**YOU!**

**Volunteers are needed to**

**Deliver the Parish Magazine  
in your local area (Four times a year)**

**Deliver Church envelopes  
(Once a Year)**

**Join our freewill offering counting team  
(Once a Month)**

**If you can help with any of these important  
ministries**

**please contact the Rector on  
028 25861215**

**or**

**[revdrapcampbell@gmail.com](mailto:revdrapcampbell@gmail.com)**

# Parish Register

## Holy Baptism

30<sup>th</sup> September 2020: Freddie Arthur Campbell  
Son of Darrell and Emma Campbell

## Holy Matrimony

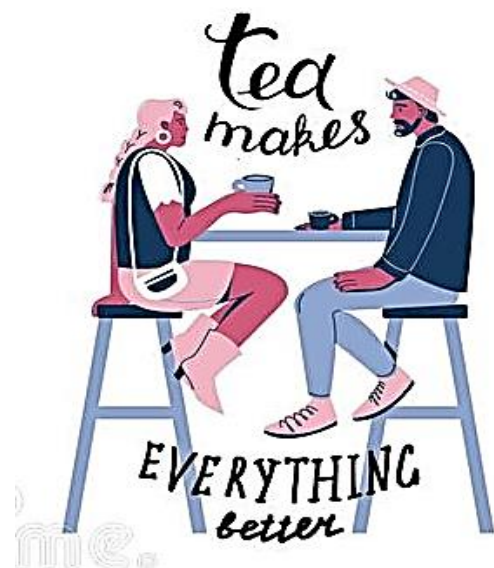
16<sup>th</sup> September 2020: William Jason Dalrymple and  
Katie Lorraine Wray

## Holy Burial

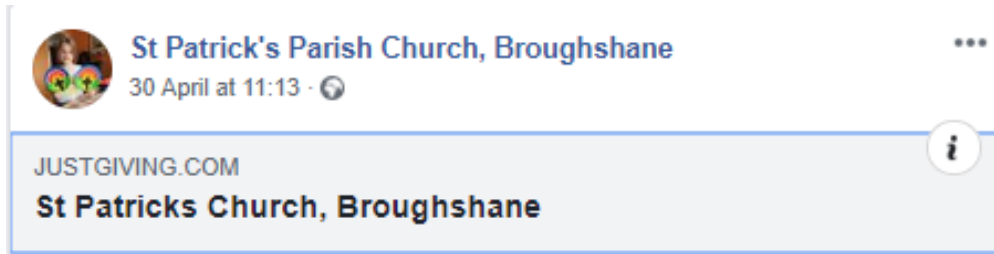
21<sup>st</sup> October 2020: Mary Agnes (Molly) Rodgers  
Wife of the late William  
Mother of Jacqueline, Gary and Rodney



ONE DAY SOMEONE IS GOING TO HUG  
YOU SO TIGHT THAT ALL OF YOUR  
BROKEN PIECES WILL STICK  
BACK TOGETHER.



**JustGiving™** is a way to financially support the ministry and mission of St Patrick's Broughshane as we share God's love with the community. Click the link on the Facebook page or Google Just Giving & search for: **'St Patricks Church, Broughshane'**



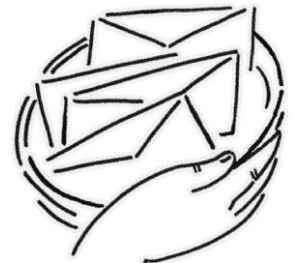
## Weekly Collections Standing Order or Envelopes?

Our inability to hold Services in Church physically impacts on our Church collections, and, in light of that, we would ask you to consider setting up a Standing Order.

Please email Desi at [darmstrong56@outlook.com](mailto:darmstrong56@outlook.com), the Rector at ([revdrapcampbell@gmail.com](mailto:revdrapcampbell@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

Of course, if you wish to continue to put your offering in the church envelopes and hand them in later that is ok too.

*Desi Armstrong (Honorary Treasurer)*



## St Patrick's (Broughshane) Mothers' Union 1950 – 2020



We are an international Christian membership movement, active in 84 countries, supporting families and communities in need of support in the UK and worldwide since 1876.

Just like other organisations, Mothers' Union members have been unable to meet since the beginning of March. However we were delighted that the branch was able to hold a service in October: wonderful to be able to share in prayer and look forward to when we can resume our monthly meetings with a cup of tea and a chat.

In October a service of thanksgiving and commissioning was held in All Saints Church, Antrim. Trustees and Executive members were joined by Bishop George and June Butler, All Ireland President, in a service which was streamed live to those who were unable to attend. Hilary Boddy, from St Patrick's, was commissioned in her new role as Diocesan Prayer Representative: we wish her well in her new post.

The Trustees and Executive have been meeting regularly via Zoom and to mark what should have been a time when Diocesan Council meets the President, Sally Cotter. She recorded a video message which can be found on the Connor Mothers' Union website.

All members should have received a Prayer Diary produced for the '16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence' campaign, and a prayer diary for 2021. If anyone has not received copies, please get in touch with Allison or Cathy.

The '16 Days Against Gender Violence' campaign runs from 25<sup>th</sup> November to 10<sup>th</sup> December We would encourage everyone to link-in to the programme of online events which can be accessed via the Connor Mothers' Union Facebook page, or [www.connormothersunion.org](http://www.connormothersunion.org)

This year Mothers' Union is holding a 'Global Day of Action' on the 5<sup>th</sup> December, centred around the disturbing statistic that '1 in 3 women worldwide have experienced domestic or sexual abuse' and that Mothers' Union, as a leading women's organisation, believes this to be unacceptable.



The main events are as follows (exact times have yet to be confirmed);

Online Morning Prayer: 25<sup>th</sup> November  
Global Day Service: 5<sup>th</sup> December - 8.00pm  
Evening Compline: 10<sup>th</sup> December

Throughout the pandemic the work of Mothers' Union has continued as members around the world help those affected by disaster and pray for all those in need. Midday prayers can be heard each day by going to the Connor Mothers' Union Facebook page and we're thrilled that our UK members who do not have access to the internet at home will still be able to hear our Midday prayers thanks to the Church of England's Daily Hope line - call 0800 804 8044 from a UK mobile or landline and press option 4, then option 8.

Both 'Focus', the All Ireland Mothers' Union publication and 'In Touch' the Connor Diocesan Mothers' Union publication can be downloaded from the Resources section of the Connor Mothers' Union Website [www.connormothersunion.org](http://www.connormothersunion.org). If you would like to know more about the work of Mothers' Union please go to [www.connormothersunion.org](http://www.connormothersunion.org) or [www.mothersunion.ie](http://www.mothersunion.ie)



***The Mothers' Union Prayer***

Loving Lord, we thank you for your love so freely given to us all. We pray for families around the world. Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share your love through the encouragement, strengthening and support of marriage and family life. Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship, and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world. In Jesus' name.

*Amen*

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*Mothers' Union  
midday prayers will be  
available through the  
Church of England  
Hope Prayer Line  
by calling the free phone  
number below:*

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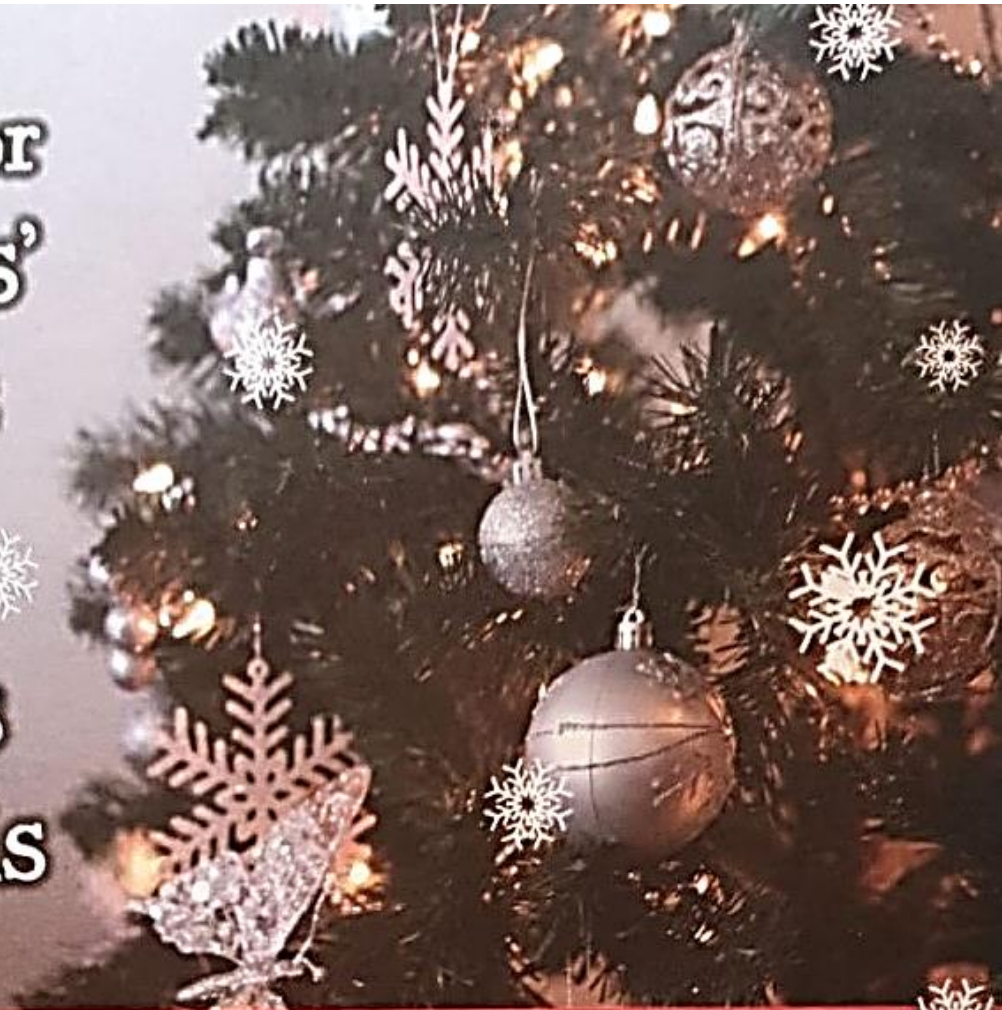


**then press option 4  
followed by option 8**

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families  
Diocese of Connor

**24 HOUR  
DOMESTIC &  
SEXUAL ABUSE  
HELPLINE  
0808 802 1414**

If you, or someone else,  
is in immediate danger,  
**ring 999**, otherwise  
you can reach the police  
24/7 on **101** or at  
**[www.psni.police.uk](http://www.psni.police.uk)**



Join us for  
**Mothers'  
Union's**  
**Nine**  
**Lessons**  
**& Carols**

**Thursday 17th December at 7.30pm**

Pour yourself a cup of tea or glass of mulled wine and join us from the comfort of your own home for an evening of Christmas tradition and celebration.

With a selection of carols, choral pieces and hymns interspersed with Bible lessons and readings, this promises to be a truly special way to mark the end of the vastly different year that has been 2020!

The service will be broadcast on the Mothers' Union Facebook page and YouTube channel.

 @MothersUnion  [www.youtube.com/MothersUnion](http://www.youtube.com/MothersUnion)

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

## What is an Eco Congregation?



Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) encourages churches of all denominations to take an eco approach to worship, lifestyle, property and finance management, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

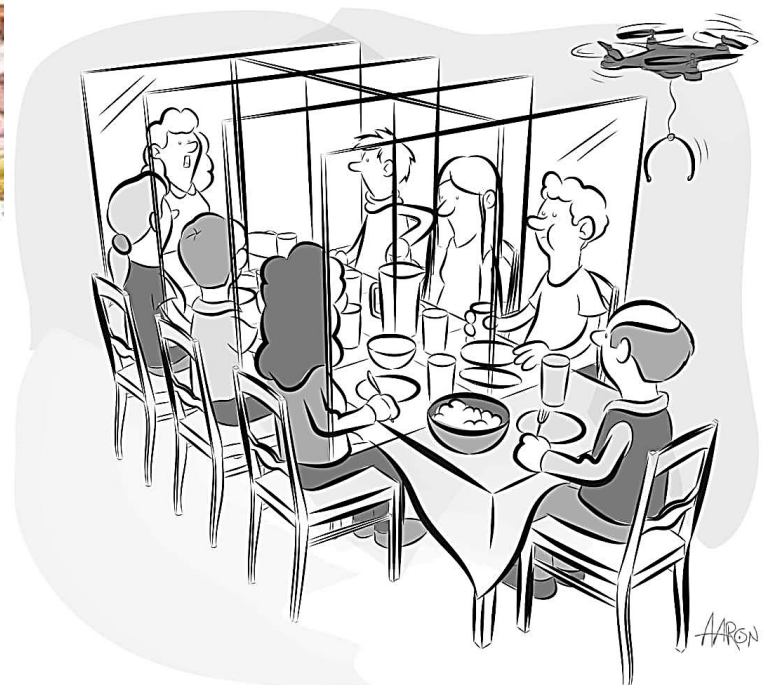
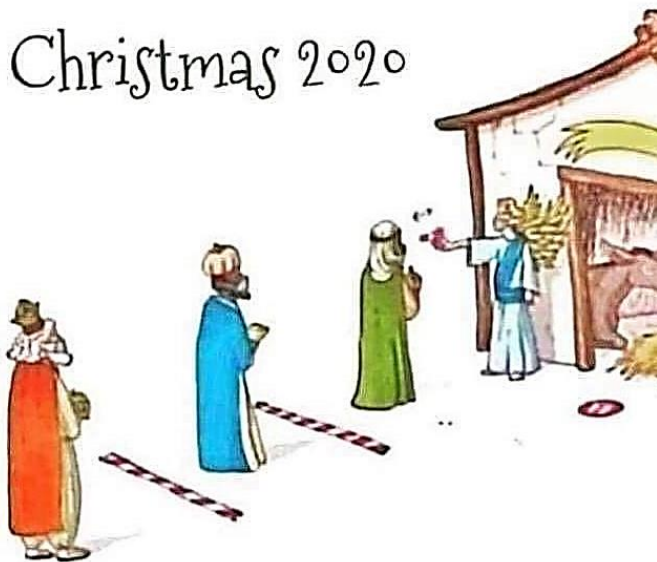
Our vision is to see churches of all denominations throughout Ireland celebrate the gift of God's creation, recognise the inter-dependence of all creation and care for it in their life and mission and through members' personal lifestyles.

We ask Christians everywhere to reflect on the beauty of God's world and to consider what practical steps can be taken to prevent further damage to the environment. Also, to pray for our wounded planet, for people in the developing world already affected by climate change and for future generations.

Just now we cannot meet to take this issue forward in our own congregation here in St Patrick's, but we hope we will be able to do so in 2021. Until then, each one of us can do something practical to heal the world – feed the birds, use less plastic, walk more and drive less and, as we approach the Festive season, try not to fill our homes with unnecessary 'stuff' which will only end up as landfill.

*Cathy Doig*

Christmas 2020



*"Can you please drone me the mashed potatoes?"*

## Sunday Club

All of the Sunday Club teachers are really missing being able to see the boys and girls on a Sunday morning. 😞 We can't wait until we can all meet together again to have fun and fellowship together. The children are currently enjoying the weekly All Aboard videos that are being sent to them along with a monthly video message from one of the teachers. Andrew and Andrea are taking part too.

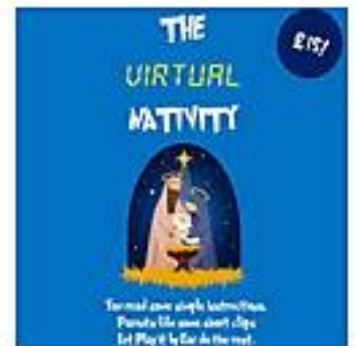


At half term the children were invited to go to Winnie's in Broughshane to get a takeaway hot chocolate or milk shake on us. It seemed to go down a real treat as you can see in the pictures.



We will soon be in the month of December and it would not be Christmas without our annual Sunday Club nativity. Unfortunately we are going to have to do things a bit differently this Christmas. So we will be having our first ever virtual nativity created by a company called 'Play It by Ear'. The children will record

videos of their parts at home which will be collated and sent to the company to be made into one video. We are super-excited to see and share the finished product with you all. Once we get the video back we will get a viewing date sorted! 😊



We are continuing to keep all the children and their families in our prayers and hope that everyone stays well during this time.

*Sunday Club Leaders*

## St Patrick's (Broughshane) Rainbow Guide Unit

Our Rainbows started back in September and we now have sixteen girls! It is great to see so many new girls and we hope they enjoy the first step along their Guiding journey.



Our theme this term has been 'Know Myself' and we have been using a combination of WhatsApp and Zoom to make sure that the girls get to experience lots of different activities. So far, we have learned about what makes us special, made musical instruments, helped support our feathered friends by making bird feeders, learnt about cave paintings, and marked Poppy Day with some wonderful painted poppies.

We will be having a Christmas Party Zoom in December which will be a fun evening for everyone! Lots of girls have been keeping themselves busy at home by completing Interest Badges. These have included Animal Lover, Recycling and Family Tree badges.

Over the half term holiday, some girls and their families did their own Lorne Walk to raise money for Girlguiding Ulster and our Unit. Thank you to everyone who sponsored them, and also to the Parents.

**Lastly, our Unit is full just now, and has a waiting list, so if you know a little girl who would like to join Rainbows in the next couple of years, please make sure they have been registered on [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)**





## St Patrick's (Broughshane) Brownie Guide Unit

We started back in September 'online', looking at what we enjoyed in the past few months and what we would like to do. We chose to do the Skill Builders Take Action and Express Myself.



We became inventors, coming up with new ideas to help us in our life, coming up with some fantastic inventions from recycling robots to jet packs to get to school and work. We also explored dance moves, making up our own dance routines!

We made an 'impact-o-meter', looking at our impact on planet Earth. For one week, we did something to help the environment with recycling and using less energy. We wrote on the back of our 'impact-o-meter' what we did and showed our leaders the next week! We collected boxes and made recycled monsters. Lauren made Geoff the robot, who liked to eat cinnamon buns!



We were able to meet out of doors in person in October, so we completed an environmental survey around the church and Houston's Mill. We also played games like wellie-throwing, had races, and wrote notes to our parents to thank them for helping out during our Zoom meetings and Virtual Camp. Katie and Holly were presented with their Brownie Bronze Award.

In November we painted stones for Remembrance Day. They were really good, and some of them were used in the Sunday service.

We met outdoors again to do the Annual Lorne Walk - normally done in May. We walked around the church grounds and Houston's Mill - in the dark! And completed a treasure hunt on the way. The night was brilliant even though it was chilly and we didn't stop talking the whole way. We finished our walk with juice and biscuits, and then made a huge circle to sing Brownie Bells at the top of our voices!



## St Patrick's (Broughshane) Guide Unit

During this Autumn term we have stepped up to the challenge of continuing to meet whilst socially distancing. We have introduced a blended approach consisting of Zoom meetings and email activities, which the girls could complete in their own time and then submit photographs of their work and achievements.



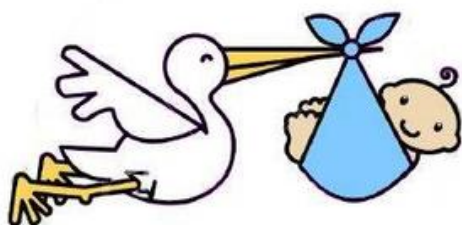
We have continued with our Skill Builder and Unit Meeting Activities. We have had lots of fun 'Counting Bubbles – not Sheep.' The girls put their engineering know-how into practice by planning and building skyscrapers from cardboard boxes and other scrap materials.

We explored camping – learned new campfire songs and planned our own campfire café, which involved planning three well-balanced meals each day for ten people for two days on a budget of £50! Hopefully, we will be able to put these skills into practice in the not too distant future!

We thoroughly enjoyed a 'Space' night where we watched online video clips from Tim Peake and learned what it is like to be an astronaut and we also made Poppy Pinwheels for Remembrance Day.

We were delighted to receive permission to meet outdoors which allowed us to take part in the Annual Lorne Walk. The walk took place around Houston's Mill and the Church car park and was a great opportunity for the girls to meet up for the first in a long time.

A huge thank you to parents for helping the girls with preparations and materials for all the activities involved. Your support is vital in helping us to continue to meet under the current circumstances.



Congratulations to Hannah and Jamie on the birth of Charlie Ian. We cannot wait to meet him.



## Slemish Look Wider Group – Ranger Guide Unit



We started back in September online and planned the term's programme, including Skill Builder themes of Express Myself and Take Action along with a few surprises! We looked at hidden messages in the media while 'jargon-busting' articles to make them simpler to read. We looked at how we can act for our favourite causes and influence people to join them. We also looked at networking with people to use their skills to help our cause.



We held a Great British Bake-Off evening and had to make some orange jelly the day before. We had no idea what we were making, but step by step the leaders provided the recipe over Zoom and we made Jaffa cakes! They were delicious - much better than shop bought ones - but we got chocolate everywhere!

We painted stones with images of poppies and soldiers for Remembrance, some of which were used in the Act of Remembrance at the Morning Call service.



We have been allowed to meet outdoors, so we completed a belated Annual Lorne Walk, raising much-needed funds for Lorne and our unit. It was rather different – and dark! It was great to be able to meet in person and we completed a treasure hunt at the same time! – we got all the answers!!!



The Ranger and Explorer Scout DofE Bronze Group took advantage of a short window to complete their Expedition at the end of September. The weather was great, and they sang ABBA songs on way around.

They were not allowed to camp, but their assessor made them erect a tent and pack it away and they had to cook supper. They even took advantage of the lovely weather and dipped their aching toes into the sea!



Well done to Emma, Amy and Scarlett, along with Alex, Jack and Killian.

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### HELP



We are collecting all postage stamps for RNIB. Their request is as follows:

*"If you receive cards and letters through the post, could you save the stamps to send to us? We will recycle them into much-needed funds for our services, such as our Letter from Santa in accessible formats for children with vision impairment to help them feel included at Christmas."*

**Your stamps can be delivered to Geraldine Linford or any Leader.**

## Safeguarding Trust Panel

Mrs Sandra Adams  
Rev Dr Andrew Campbell (Rector)  
Dr Philip Cummings  
Ms Victoria Thompson

<b>Sunday Club</b> Primary Schoolers Lyndsay Williamson Sunday Morning	<b>Rainbow Guides</b> Cathy Doig	<b>Beavers</b> Rachel Agnew
<b>Young People's Bible Study</b> Richard Gamble	<b>Brownie Guides</b> Geraldine Linford Cathy McCaig	<b>Cubs</b> Derek McKillop
<b>Choir Practice</b> Elizabeth Ferguson	<b>Guides</b> Geraldine Linford Hannah Aldridge Pauline Church	<b>Scouts</b> Neil Hall
<b>Youth Choir</b> Claire Williamson	<b>Ranger Guides</b> Geraldine Linford Cathy McCaig	<b>Badminton</b> Karen Millar
<b>Mothers' Union</b> Cathy Doig	<b>Tots</b> Emma Erwin	<b>Men's and Ladies' Fellowship</b> <b>Breakfasts</b>

### Parish Magazine – Spring 2021

Articles for the Spring 2021 edition of the Parish Magazine should be with the editor by **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021** please.

They can be emailed to the editor at

[geraldine@linford1.net](mailto:geraldine@linford1.net)



# WHO'S WHO AT ST PATRICK'S

Rector	Rev Dr Andrew Campbell
Hon. Secretary	Mr Richard Reade
Hon. Treasurer	Mr Desi Armstrong
Organist	Mrs Elizabeth Ferguson
Church Wardens	(Rector's) Mr Andrew Kennedy
	(People's) Mrs Beth Clyde
Glebe Wardens	(Rector's) Mr Alan Brown
	(People's) Mr Stephen McCullough
Fire Warden	Mr James Linford
Sanctuary Flowers	Mrs Yvonne Little
Magazine Editor	Mrs Geraldine Linford
Catering Committee	Mrs Rae Kissock
Heating	Mr Derek Mills-Westley

## Select Vestry

Norman Douglas, Tommy Douglas, Emma Erwin, Sarah Gamble, Ruth Logan, Kathryn McGall, Laura Montgomery, Geraldine Linford, Julie Thompson, Stephen Tuff, Glebe Wardens, Church Wardens.

## Sunday Services

Radio: Church Services are broadcast on short wave 27.60 Frequency 27 MHz

**10.30am in the Hall**

**11.30am in the Church**

**Morning Call**

**Morning Prayer: Form 2**

Please follow the instructions given by the Welcome Team  
Wear a face mask or covering and dispose of it responsibly  
Use the hand sanitisers

Services will continue to be available on Facebook, Zoom, the website and by telephone after 1pm on Sunday on **028 2517 0014**  
(calls are charged at local rate)



We  
wish  
you a  
merry  
Christmas