

Church of

# St Columbanus

Parish of Ballyholme



July/August 2010



Golden Girls  
enjoy themselves  
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The Church is open every weekday morning for private prayer and meditation

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## The Rambling Rector



There is much to give thanks for at this time of year: rest from work, space with our family and friends and hopefully some chance to get outdoors and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. In Ballyholme one item tops this summer's list however. As most of you are now aware, July/August 2010 brings major change for our Youth and Children's Worker David Cavan and his wife Julie. First and foremost we share in their joy as they become a family. Yet as we do so, our time with the Cavans is running short as David is also preparing for his new role in September as

Derry and Raphoe Diocesan Youth Officer. David has brought so much to St Columbanus over the last four years but there seems no doubt that his love for the young people and their love for him will be his greatest legacy and for that blessing especially we give God all the praise and glory. So, having a baby, moving house and changing job: that's three major life traumas in one go - plus a packed holiday schedule for the young people. If ever David deserved and needed our prayers it's this summer! SED

# YOU

are invited to join the group travelling to the 2010 Harambee on 10th October in Kajiado, Kenya Interested?



Contact the Rector for further details

### You know you are living in 2010 when....

- You accidentally enter your password on the microwave.
- You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.
- You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
- You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
- You e-mail your children upstairs to tell them dinner is ready.
- Your reason for not staying in touch with various friends and family is that they are not on Facebook.
- You pull up in your own driveway and use your mobile to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the shopping.
- Every TV advert has a web site at the bottom of the screen.
- Leaving the house without your mobile, which you didn't have the first 20 or 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go and get it.





**Dr. Christina Baxter**

## Bishop's Bible Week 23-26<sup>th</sup> August 2010

The 'Bishop's Bible Week' has become a much-valued part of the annual programme in the Diocese of Down & Dromore and those who attended last year were greatly blessed and encouraged.

May I warmly invite you along to Willowfield Parish Church for 4 evenings in August when we will welcome as our speaker Christina Baxter, who is not only a personal friend, but a wonderful godly woman and Bible teacher. She will share from the book of Habakkuk, with the title *'There is Still a Vision'*.

Christina was honoured recently by the Queen with a CBE for her work for the Church of England. She is Principal of St John's Theological College in Nottingham, the lay chair of the Church of England General Synod, and has written one of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Books. But more than that, she will give of herself in ministry to us and I know you will be blessed greatly by what she has to say.

Don't miss it! See you there!

+Harold, Down & Dromore.

## Going to Church on Holiday

Every summer in Ballyholme we look forward to the company of tourists, day trippers and holiday makers at many of our Sunday services and we hope to make them all warmly welcome. Welcoming the stranger is one of the most basic expressions of our Christian faith and, the Scriptures make clear, it is also a blessing to us as we welcome them.

In exactly the same way when we go on holiday it is up to us to bless other churches with our presence, to give them a chance to welcome us. It is also fascinating to see how other Christians do things; even if language barriers mean we can't follow the whole of the service often there will be a word or a theme for us to take away.

If you are making the trip to somewhere further afield this summer the Intercontinental Church Society has a helpful website to point you to the nearest Anglican Sunday service (web address below).

Go on: be brave. You'll be glad you made the effort and so will those who greet you!

[www.ics-uk.org/churches](http://www.ics-uk.org/churches)



## The Tourist Prayer

Heavenly Father, look down on these your humble, obedient servants, who are doomed to travel this earth, taking photographs, sending postcards and buying souvenirs.

We beseech you, O Lord, to see that our plane is not delayed, our luggage is not lost and our overweight baggage goes unnoticed. Give us this day divine guidance in our selection of cabins. We pray that everybody works and that the interpreters speak our language.

Lead us to good, inexpensive restaurants, where the wine is included in the price of the meal. Make the natives love us for what we are and not for what we can contribute to their worldly goods. Grant us the strength to visit the museums, cathedrals, palaces, and if we skip an historic monument to take a nap after lunch, have mercy on us for our flesh is weak.

Dear God, protect our wives from bargains they don't need or can't afford. Lead them not into temptation for they know not what they do.

Almighty Father, keep our husbands from looking at foreign women and comparing them to us. Save them from making fools of themselves in nightclubs. Above all, please do not forgive them their trespasses for they know exactly what they do.

And when our voyage is over, grant us the favour of finding someone who will look at our holiday photos and listen to our stories, so our lives as tourists will not have been in vain. Amen

Sent in by Roy & Edna Rosbotham



## A placement in Kajiado

**A**t the end of my first year at the Church of Ireland Theological Institute, I undertook a three-week placement in Kenya with our link Diocese of Kajiado. Having not yet had the opportunity to visit the Diocese, I wanted to see how the church worked there and what I could learn to bring back to our context here. I nearly didn't get there, due to the volcanic cloud, and arrived a week late - but was able to extend my visit so I only lost a few days.



I was based with our link Mission Partners the Briggses, while living with Canon Johnson and his wife Cecilia for eight days, then visiting the lovely rural area of Oltia Sika in the south-west of the Diocese and working with Rev Naftaly. It would take too long to describe what I did but here are selections of my top memories, good or bad: Preaching under a tree to a poor rural Maasai congregation in the context of their teaching on giving and thanksgiving - and this includes tithing, giving their 'first fruits' of animals or crops to God AND free will offerings, very challenging! inspecting Girls and Boys Brigades, then being invited to encourage them by 'sharing a word', which I had to do frequently with different groups and was the best thing I

learnt to do; preparing for a sermon during a 'seminar' which turned out to be a full-blooded evangelistic crusade; Maasai praise, worship and dancing; seeing Mt. Kilimanjaro in all its glory one dawn; Canon Johnson and Cecilia, who looked after me so well; suffering a migraine and missing a day's programme (they prayed over me twice but the migraine took its usual course, though was over earlier than usual ...); seeing school children praying extempore for 'the Visitor' with naturalness and ease; eating more fruit than I've eaten in the last two years; eating arrowroot (a bad memory!); pastoral visiting in Oltia Sika to several Maasai villages, sitting in dark huts filled with charcoal smoke and holding Maasai babies and praying for them; culture shock - a shopping mall in Nairobi; hearing that taking Christianity to others in Kenya is a matter of just proclaiming the Gospel on the street by word, dance or song - and their shock when I said that people here (including me) would cross the road or ignore such a person... seeing the Diocesan



Centre with the roof to go on (and once finished it will be self-sustaining, with shops renting space beneath church offices); the countryside actually GREEN after the longest drought in living memory. Finally, the warmth, kindness and faith of people who do not have much materially or educationally but spiritually are rich indeed.



Thanks to all for your prayers and support. Besides wonderful memories, the placement gave me experience and reflections that I hope I to bring forward into future ministry.

Caroline Mansley

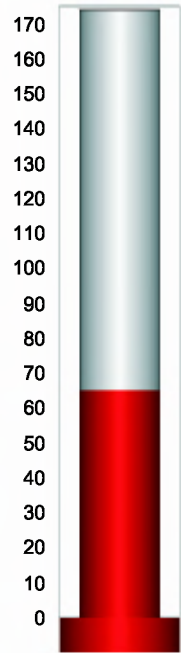
## Home Straight 2010 - 2013 Update

We have watched with thankful hearts as so many of you have responded to the “Home Straight” debt free campaign launched at this year’s annual Easter Vestry. We are absolutely thrilled that so many of our parish family have stepped up to the mark once again, especially knowing how generous everyone was back in 2004 when the Parish Centre project was first launched.

From all of us a big THANK YOU!

For those who are still in the decision making process we would urge you to get your response into the office as soon as possible. The select vestry members will be making home calls over the next few months. Whether you decide to respond by way of a one off donation or by way of a £10 per month standing order is entirely up to you. Either way your gift will be gratefully received and applied either to an immediate capital reduction or towards servicing our monthly mortgage repayments.

From all the feedback we have received, the overwhelming mood of the parish has been extremely positive and there seems to be a general consensus of opinion that clearing all outstanding debt is a good idea. Again a sincere thank you and may the Lord bless us as we continue to serve Him.



### Hidden gems in the Dromara Hills

From the Windy Gap between Slievenaboley Mountain and Cratlieve the panorama of the wide sweep of the Mournes is simply stunning. And this was the view we had for most of our 5 ½ mile walk in mid June. Adders

Loaning and the Moat Pad is a circular walk in the rugged hill country and lower lying farmland near Leitrim and this scenic area forms part of the Mourne Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. And how right that is!

From the Lighthouse Road car park we headed for the Moat Pad, a public right of way which took us along lush green lanes eventually leading through a farmyard to the Rathfriland Road and thence to Adders Loaning and back to the car park. There was much of interest along the way. We met Sharon, who runs an animal rescue centre, watering her horses and Shetland ponies from buckets as the stream was blocked; there was the old mill red brick chimney near Dechomet, and then there was the huge bull being herded by two farmers into a field just as we approached. “He’s in bad form today” they said, “so keep well back!” On the way home we had a look at the Legananny Dolmen close by on Slieve Croob. It’s a neolithic portal tomb, built of granite between 4000 and 4500 years ago with a capstone over 3m long and 1.8m from the ground. The heavy stones would have been dragged some distance before being set in place. A lovely day out then, in what we considered to be a hidden gem of a location. Just shows what we have almost on our doorstep!

The next outing is on July 3<sup>rd</sup> to Vinegar Hill in the Sperrins and the August walk on 7<sup>th</sup> is a return to Carntogher for some unfinished business.

Betty Armstrong

### Inner Peace

If you can start the day without caffeine,  
 If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,  
 If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,  
 If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,  
 If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,  
 If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,  
 If you can conquer tension without medical help,  
 If you can relax without liquor,  
 If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,  
 .....then you are probably the family dog.



## How 'giving it a go' brought Stefan and Tracie to Ballyholme

Born many thousands of miles and cultures apart, the story of how Stefan and Tracie Andreasson met, married and ended up as members of St Columbanus church is an intriguing one.

Stefan, originally from Sweden, grew up in a town on the west coast and went to the US, intending to spend a year as an exchange student in High School. However, he ended up going to university there and hasn't lived in his native Sweden since 1991. In total, he spent 12 years in America, where he obtained a BA, MA and PhD in Politics. Stefan explained that he had always been interested in Politics - it was a degree that "captured" him. After completing his first degree he found that the academic life appealed to him because of his interest in studying and research.

Although Tracie was born in Los Angeles the family moved to Alabama when she was just 11 so she regards this as her home state. Over the years she has seen big changes in the culture of the Deep South. When her family moved to Alabama, ironically she ended up going to an integrated school whereas, when she lived in LA, she was in a much more segregated school. "I was part of the bussing programme where they put us on the buses to go to white schools," she explained. There were "scary" moments, she recalled, as many white parents were opposed to this policy and there was name calling and sometimes picketing at the school gates as they came through. "It was a learning process," is how Tracie describes it now.

After graduation, Tracie attended Tuskegee University, in Alabama, a Historically Black College and University catering for black students. They were set up shortly after emancipation and some of the older buildings, as well as the bricks, were made by slaves and students. Tracie found it a "lovely experience" and when she graduated with a BA in Economics she moved to Florida where she taught in High School for 2 years. She then moved back to live in Birmingham, Alabama where her and Stefan's paths first crossed at a dance club in 1995. That fateful meeting led to an engagement shortly afterwards and the couple then moved to Baton Rouge to study at Louisiana State University in the summer of 1996 and got married in December, just a year after meeting. While Stefan completed his MA, Tracie was studying Public Administration.

After completing their studies at Louisiana the couple were off on their travels again, this time to Phoenix and, while Stefan completed his PhD, they were there for 5 years.

Tracie secured a job with the Governor of Arizona in the Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting. Interestingly, her boss for a time was Janet Napolitano now Chief of Homeland Security in President Obama's government. As Stefan jokes, while he was studying and teaching at University, Tracie was the one with the "real" job. In her post of economist and budget analyst, she was responsible for overseeing an annual budget of



\$50 million, which involved many meetings with many different departments as well as politicians. Her recommendations were presented to the Governor and the legislative advocate and, she soon found that "tact and diplomacy" were two key attributes when it came to the job. Meanwhile, Stefan was still on the lookout for a permanent academic job which was proving difficult - "There were only so many jobs to go around so we had to consider different options," he recalled. One option was to go back to Europe and that was when the post of

Lectureship in Politics at Queen's University in Belfast came up. He consulted with Tracie who said "OK go ahead and apply you probably won't get it." So, with those words ringing in his ears, Stefan went ahead and the couple ended up with two job offers - one from Queen's and the other from a university in Virginia.

The couple joke now that Stefan sold the idea of Queen's to Tracie by asking her which she preferred - a 5 day drive in a U Haul removal truck to Virginia or a 13 hour flight to London and then a short hop to Belfast! Deciding to "give it a go" they admitted they knew nothing about NI apart from the "depressing" things they had heard on the news but there was also a lot of good feedback about Queen's.

Stefan led the advance party in August 2003 - going over first to get settled and find accommodation before Tracie followed on - he had just a month to get things sorted but the pace stepped up considerably when he got a bombshell phone call from Tracie, a week before she was due to arrive, announcing that she was pregnant.

As Stefan says "Had we known this was coming we would have remained in the States but everything literally happened to us at once. It was not enough to get orientated here and figure out the University system, but Tracie was looking for work and we were signing up for parenting classes," said Stefan.

Getting to grips with the Health Service also took a bit of getting used to but Tracie's attitude of "taking things as they come" certainly helped them through what must have been a hectic time. Karl arrived safely in May 2004 and later that year the family moved to live in Bangor. In August 2007 Victor came along. It was in January 2008 that the family started going to St Columbanus and they admit that Karl going to Tiddliwinks, was a deciding factor as they hadn't really looked at any other churches. Stefan had been a Lutheran and Tracie was brought up as a Baptist.

However, right from the start they felt "at home" in the church, finding it very friendly and welcoming. Tracie says she is used to being active in church as the Baptist church had a lot of activities going on. She now works 4 days a week as a Financial Analyst and with Karl going into P3 in Ballyholme in September and Victor looking forward to starting soon in pre-school it looks as if the family have put down their roots in Ballyholme.

Rosie Lawther

## Summer, Barbeques - need we say more?

**Chicken breasts with soy and mustard marinade (serves 4)**

*Every ingredient in this marinade works together to infuse the chicken with sensational flavours. This combination also works well with pork chops.*



### For the marinade

½ cup dry white wine, 2 tbs soy sauce, 2 tbs Dijon mustard, 1 tbs lemon juice, 2 teasp hot chilli oil, 2 teasp dark sesame oil  
4 boneless chicken breast halves (with skin), about 6 ozs each

### Method

To make the marinade: In a medium bowl whisk together all the marinade ingredients.

Rinse the chicken breasts under cold water and pat dry with paper towels. Place the chicken breasts in a large, resealable plastic bag and pour in the marinade. Press out the air and seal the bag tightly. Turn the bag to distribute the marinade, place the bag in a bowl, and refrigerate for at least 12 hours or as long as 24 hours. Remove the chicken breasts from the bag and discard the marinade. Grill over direct medium heat until the meat is firm and the juices run clear, 8 to 12 minutes, turning once halfway through grilling time. Serve warm with green beans, if desired.

### Crispy & herby barbecued chicken

100 g (4 oz) butter, 2 tsp Tarragon, ½ tsp Garlic Granules, ½ tsp Paprika, 8 chicken drumsticks, scored

**For the Coating** 2 x 28g (1oz) packets plain crisps, 1 tsp Paprika

### Method

Place butter, Tarragon, Garlic Granules and Paprika in a small saucepan and heat very gently over the barbecue until melted. Brush the drumsticks with the herb butter. Cook on a hot barbecue for approx. 30 minutes or until the meat is thoroughly cooked. Turn and brush the drumsticks with the butter frequently during cooking. Reserve enough butter to give each drumstick a final brushing at the end of cooking. Meanwhile, crush the crisps finely in a bowl. Add the Paprika and stir well. Brush each cooked drumstick with the remaining butter and toss in the crisp mixture. Serve hot or cold. Makes 4 servings.

## The Wednesday Club



On a beautiful June afternoon, the ladies of the Wednesday Club and the Rector, set off on their secret end of season outing. This year, we travelled to Strangford, where we crossed the lough to Portaferry. On arrival, we had a very welcome afternoon tea in the Portaferry Arms. There was time for a short stroll along the seafront, before it was time to board the bus again for home - not forgetting our now traditional ice cream! This outing brought to an end our programme for this year - it all kicks off again on the 1st September - see you then!

Sue



## Ballyholme in Bloom

A big thank you is due again this year to Harry Browne and Marty Bleakley whose dedication and hard work was reflected in the wonderful display of azaleas which we saw in early June in the Parish Centre grounds.

It was a memorable sight! Well done boys!!

Pat Williamson

## “Help, I need somebody, help ....”

So goes the words of the Beatles Song, and so we do, need help, I mean!



A couple of our Friday cooks have had to hang up their wooden spoons, and therefore we are looking for new team leaders to help plan and cook on a rota basis for our Friday lunches from September. If you think you can help in any way at all, and would be willing to give it a try, please contact me and I will be glad to chat things through with you.

“Won’t you please, please, please me”

Karen



## What's on your iPod (or MP3 Player)?

### ALAN LONG

Alan is a former Church Warden, married to Irene and father to grown-up twin daughters. He loves football and is a dedicated Liverpool supporter.

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|----|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1  | Small Faces                        | Lazy Sunday                      |
| 2  | Jo Jo Gunne                        | Run Run Run                      |
| 3  | Free                               | All Right Now                    |
| 4  | Eric Clapton & Derek & the Dominos | Layla                            |
| 5  | Status Quo                         | Break the Rules                  |
| 6  | Nina Simone                        | Feeling Good                     |
| 7  | Tony Bennett                       | I Left My Heart in San Francisco |
| 8  | Gerry and the Pacemakers           | You'll Never Walk Alone          |
| 9  | The Beatles                        | Here Comes the Sun               |
| 10 | Don Williams                       | You're My Best Friend            |



## The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

Set against the backdrop of the Congo's fight for independence from Belgium in the late 1950's, the story

is told in turn by the wife and four daughters of Nathan Price, a heavy handed evangelical Baptist who seeks his redemption by (against all advice and common sense) uprooting his family from their home in Georgia to become missionaries in the Belgium Congo. They take with them everything they believe they will need, but soon discover that each of these prized items, - from garden seeds to the Scripture - is calamitously transformed once on African soil.

The story is passed from the mother, Orleanna, who struggles to keep her family together in a world suddenly devoid of comfort and safety, to the eldest daughter (the vain, self centred sixteen year old Rachel), to the fourteen year old twins, both shrewd, intelligent and alert to the world around them, but with hugely different ways of expressing themselves, and to the five year old

Ruth May, who teaches the native children to play games.

Each voice tells her tale in her own way, with overlapping accounts of the same incident turning them into multifaceted prisms, drawing the reader into the psyche of the family and its individual components. As they start to learn the ways of Africa, they become caught up in the political upheaval. Family tragedy divides them and ultimately each must find her own separate path to salvation. Dancing between the dark comedy of human failings and the breathtaking possibilities of human hope, the book is funny, poignant and enlightening

Joy Hamilton

*The Poisonwood Bible is published by Harper Flamingo: rrp £8.99*



## Things I Love by Conor Weston Johnston (aged 10)

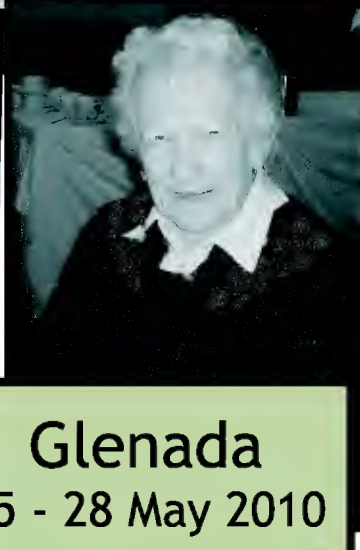
There are lots of things I love - music, acting, sport and watching films. But most of all I love playing my cello and I passed my Grade 1 a wee while ago. I play in the Ballyholme Primary orchestra and sing in the school choir. I like to play the piano as well. We did a great show called Midsummer Medley in June.

I love acting and I go to McMaster's Stage School. We do lots of singing and dancing as well as acting and the Excerpts from the Shows we did in June was great fun.

Sport is good. Mum takes me swimming. I play tag rugby and Gaelic football. I also sail at Ballyholme. There are lots of things in Church I love as well - Cubs and Children's Church. When I get a bit tired I love to watch films and my favourite is James Bond.







Glenada  
25 - 28 May 2010

**S**o this will be one of my last newsletters. The monthly newsletters have been a place of expression, information and questioning during my time at Ballyholme.

I'm sure if you were to ask Sue and the magazine committee to describe my magazine contribution in the youth news in one word, it would be LATE! Every month I place Sue's patience under a microscope. Some months have been better than others, but this month AGAIN I have been very tardy. Anyway, here we go!!

In this month's letter, I want to inform you all of what is happening this summer, and what my plans are (the September newsletter will include a proper goodbye). There is also news about some good music that is coming out of our very parish!

So this summer! Well, I would have been a fool to allow it to be as busy as last summer. However with the baby on the way, it has been a good way of making sure that too much stuff can't be organised.

**Summer Madness** - We are bringing a group again this year. It is always a good laugh and the leaders and young people always come back with stories that keep up laughing for the full year, until we go back again! 2-6th July - Kings Halls, Belfast.

**Jumpin'** - We are taking Jumpin' (our biannual Holiday Bible Club) a couple of steps forward this year, from an organisational point of view by having a FULLY online registration process available from now -

<http://www.ballyholmeparish.co.uk/jumpin>

For the past few years we have charged a daily fee at the door, but this year we are pushing a week ticket. This ticket will give you a discount on the daily rate and will also mean you get a goodie bag and armband when you arrive on the Monday!

Dates: **9-13th August** - Parish Centre - £4 per day or £15 for a week pass! Saving £5!

**X-cess** - This is our teenagers' outreach week. This year we are changing X-cess slightly as well, by encouraging people to buy a week ticket instead of a daily pass. Also, normally

during the day we have a drop in at the Parish Centre but this year some days we will go on the streets for some social action and allow the young people to be a positive force of change. The community will see the young people do stuff for others living the Gospel outside the Parish halls!

One afternoon we will be going on a trip as well!!! Some great bands/speakers in the evening time, tuck shop and an insane amount of banter! bring it on!!

Dates: **16-20th August** - Parish Halls - £4 per day / £15 for a week pass! Saving £5!

Some exciting news there!

Now to finish, I know lots of you are always interested in new music and I have been meaning to inform you about some new music that has come straight out of our Parish youth over the years.

**Two Door Cinema Club** - Kev, Sam and Alex are just about to make the big time after releasing their album - Tourist History - A great debut album. Watch out for these guys (all of whom were JAM leaders 2 years ago)! It can be your claim to fame! I know its mine! - Great Album to listen to before a party or a run!! Available on iTunes and HMV etc!

**Kowalski** - Having played the Snow Patrol Ward Park gig 2007, these guys paved the way for Two Door and other local bands... Having been quiet for a while, Paddy Baird (drummer) and the lads have just released a long awaited second EP 'Take Care, Take Flight' Available at <http://kowalski.bandcamp.com> - Great listening and I'm so excited about new EP coming in Autumn!

**Adam Bradley** - One of our current YF, and a lover of all music, has just started recording his own songs and covers in his bedroom, a very talented young man to keep your eye on, he will be playing at this years X-cess! Check him out here - <http://www.myspace.com/abradd> one for the future!

Enjoy and have a good and blessed summer

Grace and peace

dc



## The Quiet Corner

### FEAR, FAITH AND LOVE

When we step out of our comfort zone, the overwhelming feeling is one of fear. The body tenses, the heart races and we feel general discomfort. This is fear. I believe we feel only two basic emotions: fear and love, of course there are many aspects to each, but all of our emotions stem from these. For example, greed - the fear that there isn't enough of whatever you need; anger - an attempt to defend against a harm that you sense is coming. The interesting thing about fear is that it exists in relationship to the future. In my experience, when there is actual danger present, I am not afraid. This is faith.

And to have faith, is to believe. When we believe and stand still long enough to listen to God's words, we then can truly hear. I once read, 'faith is the quiet cousin of courage' - if we have the courage to stay strong in our faith then everything is possible.

When you give of yourself, in deed or action - this is love. When you smile at a stranger who looks lonely or forlorn - this is love. When you admire the beauty of the earth, the birds, the trees, the resplendent spring blooms - this is love. As the old Wet Wet Wet song goes - 'Love is all around.'

So now, STOP - breathe, be right here, right now, listen - God talks to us always, but we talk so loud we fail to hear His speech.

Fear is the enemy of love. Love dispels fear. Belief and Faith go hand in hand and God's love is infinite.

p.s. When I was asked to write something for the Quiet Corner - I was scared stiff!

Jackie Redmill

## Hello all

Last year we did a photo page in the magazine called The Far Travelled Parishioner and would like to repeat it this year.

If any of you are going on holiday between now and August could you please take a copy and have a photo taken of you holding it in some stunning location! Then you can email it to me and we'll make up a page.

Many thanks

Betty



The staff and children of Tiddli-winks Playgroup would like to say a big thank you to all the church members who collected Tesco vouchers for us. We have ordered lots of sports equipment for the group and we could not have got so much without your support.

Pamela

## Safer, Simpler, Cheaper

While we appreciate that many people are still very attached to the envelope system for managing their church giving and have been doing so for years, there are some very good reasons why we would like to encourage every member of the Ballyholme Parish family to consider changing to the standing order method of payment:



- † It saves us money - the envelopes alone cost the parish in the region of £750 per year.
- † It is far safer for us - the parish office wouldn't have to handle so much cash.
- † It is far simpler for us - no more envelopes to address, organise and collect and for you, no more rooting around on a Saturday night for cheque books or cash.
- † It helps our cash flow - particularly in the summer when many people are away but we still have to pay the bills.

Why not give it some thought, and if you decide to change, standing order forms are available from the Parish Office.



Thank you

# Our Worship

## July

### 4th Trinity 4

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Family Service  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Parish

### 11th Trinity 5

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Holy Communion  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Presbyterian

### 18th Trinity 6

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Morning Service  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Methodist

### 25th Trinity 7

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Morning Prayer  
 8.00 - United Service Ballyholme Parish

*There will be no creche supervision in July or August, but the creche room will be available for parents and children and a children's table at the back of church*

## August

### 1st Trinity 8

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Family Service  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Presbyterian

### 8th Trinity 9

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Holy Communion  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Methodist

### 15th Trinity 10

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Morning Service  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Parish

### 22nd Trinity 11

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Morning Prayer  
 8.00 United Service Hamilton Rd Presbyterian

### 29th Trinity 12

8.30 Holy Communion  
 10.30 Morning Service  
 8.00 United Service Ballyholme Presbyterian



## July

4th Ann Shaw, Margaret Parr, Vicky Hayes  
 11th Dawn McFerran, Janice Hewitt, Yvonne Manogue  
 18th Michael & Sharon Hatch, Neil Devlin

25th Jean Law, Pat Adair, Jill Owen

## August

1st Mark & Carolyn Larmour, Pauline Baird  
 8th Charlie Robinson, Joanne Bishop, Jackie Devlin  
 15th Edna Morrison, Gillian Fletcher, Carol Majury  
 22nd Richard & Sandra Kennedy, Christine Wilson  
 29th Anna Gullen, Tracie Andreasson, Lorraine Campbell

Because of summer holidays etc. copy for the September magazine must be with Sue by 10th July

## Flower Rota

### July

4th Flower Fund  
 11th Dorrie Nesbitt  
 18th Caroline Jones  
 25th Maureen Johnston

### August

1st Mary Moore  
 10th Edna Rosbotham  
 17th Debbie Smyth  
 22nd Wedding  
 29th Wedding

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## BAPTISMS

30th May  
 GIDEON MUGISHA Wilson, son of Rory & Denise  
 13th June  
 SARAH ANN Mijnders, daughter of David & Arlene

## WEDDINGS

15th May:  
 Mark Storey, 3 Lynne Cres. & Joanne Flavelle, 37 Groomsport Rd  
 4th June:  
 Keith Wilson & Katherine McKillen, 37 Lord Warden's Court

## FUNERAL

11th June: Adeline O'Ryan, late of 27 Ballyholme Court