

THE PARISH OF ST PETER AND ST JAMES
BELFAST

PARISH NOTES

MARCH 2016

Rector: The Rev'd Brian Lacey
St Peter's Rectory, 17 Waterloo Park South, Belfast, BT15 5HX



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PALM SUNDAY
20th March . 11am

GOD . LOVING . PEOPLE

RECTOR'S NOTES

EASTER VESTRY – 13th MARCH

As explained in the previous issue of the Parish Notes, the annual meeting of our parishioners will take place in the church on Sunday 13th March. This will begin immediately after a shorter-than-usual service at 11am. The two main purposes of the meeting will be to elect the Officers and Committees for the year ahead, and for our Honorary Treasurer, Ashlee McCune, to give a summary of the parish's financial accounts for 2015. We will also choose which charities to support this year. Please note that all parishioners are invited to attend and speak at this meeting, but only the registered members may vote or be elected.

ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of our Annual Report will be available for parishioners to collect from the back of St Peter's on Sunday 6th March (Mothering Sunday) and for a few weeks thereafter. It contains my own report, an account of our finances, and a list of Free Will Offering per individual/household received during 2015. The Annual Report is being made available one week before the date of our Easter Vestry meeting in order to give you time to consider if there are any matters arising out of it that you would like to comment upon, or to question. If there are any technical errors in the Report, such as a misspelt name or a wrong figure, then it would be best to speak to me in private so that we avoid repeating the same mistake next year. However, if there are more general, constructive issues that you would like to raise regarding our mission, ministries, worship, or management, then please do feel free to mention them at the meeting.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

At the recent annual review of our list of registered members, the names of seven parishioners were added, giving them the right to vote in our forthcoming parochial elections, and even to be nominated for election themselves. They are Alan Campbell, Frank Dillon, Cheryl Hurson, Vi Johnson, Karl O'Connor, Hilda Sherwood, and Eileen Taylor. In the run-up to our Easter Vestry meeting, please look at the revised list of members on the notice boards at the back of the church; if your name is not listed and you believe that it should be, please contact me immediately. Notwithstanding the correction of any errors, the time for adding names to the list is now closed until February 2017.

CHAIR REPAIRS

We had more organisations using our Halls in 2015 than in previous years, and many of these organisations had a lot of children. Over the course of the year, we noticed a sudden increase of holes and tears appearing in some of the red chairs, and for a few months it appeared that more and more chairs were being damaged. Naturally it seemed as if there was a vandal in our midst! After some investigation, a pattern was noticed: In the Halls, there are two types of red chair: some have a dark red fabric, and some have a light red fabric. It was only the light red chairs that were being damaged. Either someone had a particular gripe against that shade of red, or else there had to be a problem with the material itself. When one of the seat covers was opened, it was discovered that the light red fabric is less resistant to wear-and-tear than the dark red fabric, resulting in them being easily damaged when used by a succession of organisations in a short space of time. This is not to say that organisations, particularly those with children, shouldn't try to be careful with our furniture, but it does certainly rule out intentional foul play.

Our Fabric Committee investigated how much it would cost to replace the chairs, or to have them professionally recovered. Unfortunately we would have been paying £25 per chair, and with nearly 40 chairs affected, that would have added up to £1,000. However, the ladies in one of our newest parish organisations, Crafty Goodness, decided that they could repair the chairs themselves at a fraction of the cost. Led by Paula Poulton, the group has done a sterling job of fixing not only the seriously damaged chairs, but also taking preventative action against those chairs that are showing even the earliest indications of starting to tear. The financial cost has been much less than what we would have paid for a professional to undertake the work, and yet the quality of the repairs are as good as any seasoned professional could have achieved. We are indebted to the members of Crafty Goodness, and to those who assisted them; they have done a tremendous job on behalf of all of us.



Some of the ladies who helped with repairing the hall chairs.



Before and after.

SERMON SUMMARIES

On the **Third Sunday after the Epiphany** (7th February) we read about Jesus returning to Nazareth, the town in which he was raised, and how he famously declared that “no prophet is accepted in his hometown”. I suggested that each of us can be challenged by, and perhaps afraid of, the idea of ministering to people whom we know, for fear of not being taken seriously. In an increasingly secular world, it is not an easy thing to mention Jesus in a conversation, or to offer to pray for—or with—people who are unaccustomed to it. Indeed, we might be embarrassed doing such things even with people who are fellow Christians. And yet we must follow in the footsteps of our Lord. Despite the lack of faith, he tried to carry out his ministries amongst people who saw him only as their neighbour’s son. We must do the same, and develop the courage not to allow other people’s possible negative reactions about our Christian faith prevent us from expressing it.

On the **First Sunday in Lent** (14th February) we thought about Jesus’ forty days and forty nights in the wilderness, and how this echoed similar events recorded in the Bible when God

encountered people in a wilderness/desert setting. Most notably the Israelites spent forty years wandering in the deserts of the Sinai Peninsula before entering into the Promised Land. These wilderness experiences were hard times, and yet they were important because the sparsity of resources in the desert meant that there was a greater dependence upon God rather than upon themselves. I explained that it is very important for us to develop that desert/wilderness mentality, in which we remember that despite all the distractions of our life, we must never forget our absolute dependence upon him.

On the **Second Sunday in Lent** (21st February) we considered the importance of waiting upon God. That is a familiar theme and refrain in the Book of Psalms, and indeed throughout all of Scripture. God reveals and unfolds his plan according to his own timescale. Within the Church we have a tendency to think that we make the decisions and if we pray hard enough, God will fit in with our plans. The truth, as revealed in the Bible, is markedly different: God has his own plan, and we must learn to hear him through prayer, and fulfil his plan how he wants and when he wants.

SERVICES IN MARCH

This month is the liturgical highlight of the Christian year, as we pass from the penitential season of Lent, through Passiontide, and into Easter.

Mothering Sunday is on 6th March. Undoubtedly the focus of the children in Sunday School will be upon their mothers, but I would remind everyone that the underlying purpose of Mothering Sunday is to give thanks for our mother church—that is, the parish church to which we belong. If you have not been to church for a while, please do make every effort to attend on this particular Sunday.

On the 13th March the 9am service has been cancelled, in order to encourage all parishioners to attend the 11am service, which will be immediately followed by our **Easter Vestry** meeting. The service will be a shortened form of Morning Prayer, focussing on the mission of the Church.

Palm Sunday is on the 20th March. For some inexplicable reason, the 11am service has never been particularly well attended. It would be nice, however, to reverse this trend. This day marks the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, when the crowds placed palm branches on the ground in front of him. It's an important day for us to reflect upon Jesus entering into our own lives.

There will be a different form of worship each evening during Holy Week. The Late Evening Office on **Fig Monday**, Compline on **Holy Tuesday**, Evening Prayer on **Spy Wednesday**, Holy Communion on **Maundy Thursday**, and Tenebrae on **Good Friday**. Please join us for worship as often as you are able.

Easter Day is Sunday 27th March. This is the highlight of the Christian calendar, and I hope I do not sound too forceful when I say that it is the duty of every parishioner to worship the Risen Christ on that day. If you are on holiday, then please attend a church local to you, and by all means express greetings to them from us. However, if you are at home, then please make it your number one priority to worship in St Peter's at either the 9am or 11am service. Remember that Easter is a time of celebrating what our Lord Jesus has achieved for us. Compared to his suffering and victory, coming to church is an insignificant effort on our part. If you are housebound then please contact me as soon as possible to arrange for Communion at home during Holy Week.

CHURCH SERVICES

WEDNESDAY 10.30am	2nd MARCH Holy Communion	MID-WEEK SERVICE <i>modern</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	6th MARCH Holy Communion Holy Communion Choral Evensong	MOTHERING SUNDAY <i>modern</i> <i>modern</i> <i>traditional</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	9th MARCH Holy Communion	MID-WEEK SERVICE <i>modern</i>
SUNDAY 11am	13th MARCH Morning Prayer	MISSION SUNDAY <i>modern</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am	16th MARCH Holy Communion	MID-WEEK SERVICE <i>modern</i>
SUNDAY 9am 11am 6.30pm	20th MARCH Holy Communion Morning Prayer Choral Evensong	PALM SUNDAY <i>modern</i> <i>modern</i> <i>traditional</i>
MONDAY 7.30pm	21st MARCH Late Evening Office	FIG MONDAY <i>modern</i>
TUESDAY 7.30pm	22nd MARCH Evening Prayer	HOLY TUESDAY <i>modern</i>
WEDNESDAY 10.30am 7.30pm	23rd MARCH Holy Communion Compline	SPY WEDNESDAY <i>modern</i> <i>traditional</i>
THURSDAY 7.30pm	24th MARCH Holy Communion	MAUNDY THURSDAY <i>traditional</i>
FRIDAY 7.30pm	25th MARCH Tenebrae	GOOD FRIDAY <i>modern</i>

SUNDAY

9am

11am

27th MARCH

Holy Communion

Holy Communion

EASTER DAY*modern**modern***WEDNESDAY**

10.30am

30th MARCH

Holy Communion

MID-WEEK SERVICE*modern***SUNDAY**

9am

11am

6.30pm

3rd APRIL

Holy Communion

Holy Communion

Choral Evensong

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER*traditional**modern**traditional***MONDAY**

7.30pm

4th APRIL

Holy Communion

THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD*traditional***WEDNESDAY**

10.30am

6th APRIL

Holy Communion

MID-WEEK SERVICE*modern***SUNDAY**

9am

11am

10th APRIL

Holy Communion

Morning Prayer

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER*modern**modern***WEDNESDAY**

10.30am

13th APRIL

Holy Communion

MID-WEEK SERVICE*modern***SUNDAY**

9am

11am

6.30pm

17th APRIL

Holy Communion

Holy Communion

Choral Evensong

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*modern**modern**traditional***WEDNESDAY**

10.30am

20th APRIL

Holy Communion

MID-WEEK SERVICE*modern***SUNDAY**

9am

11am

24th APRIL

Holy Communion

Morning Prayer

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*modern**modern***MONDAY**

7.30pm

25th APRIL

Holy Communion

ST MARK*traditional***WEDNESDAY**

10.30am

27th APRIL

Holy Communion

MID-WEEK SERVICE*modern*

March Diary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10.30am Crafty Goodness 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs	2 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	3 10am Little Cherubs 6pm Rainbows 7pm Brownies 8pm Guides	4 10.30am PhysioPilates 11.30am Bible Study 2.30pm Women's World Day of Prayer in Cavehill Methodist church hall 4.30pm Speech and Drama	5
6 Mothering Sunday 9am Holy Communion 11am Holy Communion and Sunday School 6.30pm Choral Evensong	7 8pm Badminton	8 10.30am Crafty Goodness 2.30pm Ladies' Guild 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs	9 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	10 10am Little Cherubs 12noon Corrymeela Lenten Pilgrimage 6pm Rainbows 7pm Brownies 7.30pm Bible Study 8pm Guides	11 10.30am PhysioPilates 4.30pm Speech and Drama	12

13 Mission Sunday 11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School (tea/coffee) 11.45am Annual Easter Vestry	14 7.30pm Select Vestry 8pm Badminton	15 10.30am Crafty Goodness 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs 8pm Compassionate Friends	16 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	17 St Patrick's Day 7.45pm Historical Society 8pm Guides	18 10.30am PhysioPilates 11.30am Bible Study 7.15pm Bridge Drive	19
20 Palm Sunday 9am Holy Communion 11am Morning Prayer and Sunday School (tea/coffee) 6.30pm Choral Evensong	21 Fig Monday <i>Deadline for material to be with Anne for April Parish Notes</i> 7.30pm Late Evening Office 8pm Badminton	22 Holy Tuesday 10.30 Crafty Goodness 6pm Beavers 7pm Cubs 7.30pm Compline	23 Spy Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Evening Prayer 8pm Choir	24 Maundy Thursday 11am Easter Programme for children — Messy Church 7.30pm Holy Communion	25 Good Friday 11am Easter Programme for children — Good Friday Children's Service and Easter egg hunt 7.30pm Tenebrae	26 10am Decoration of the church for Easter
27 Easter Day 9am Holy Communion 11am Holy Communion	28 8pm Badminton	29	30 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 6.30pm PhysioPilates	31		

LESSON READERS

The following parishioners are on the rota to read at the 11am Sunday services. If you are unable to read on your appointed Sunday, please contact the Warden of Readers, Forde Patterson, tel 93 365 900.

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading
6th March	Colin Bell	Sandra Hutchman	Canon Stuart Lloyd
13th March	Peter Coiley	Ashlee McCune	The Rector
20th March	Eleanor Henderson	Forde Patterson	The Rector
27th March	Daphne McClements	Anne Roberts	The Rector



DECORATION OF THE CHURCH FOR EASTER

26th March at 10am

If you would like to help decorate the church for Easter on Saturday morning, 26th March, please get in touch with

Sandra Davison—you can catch her at church or ring her on tel 9443 9230. Alternatively just turn up on the morning!

Heating Room

The room with the heating controls, off the kitchen, has been tidied up. Please endeavour to keep it this way by hanging up brushes etc where possible and not 'firing' items into this area. The heating controls need to be adjusted regularly so a clear pathway is required from the door to the heating controls to enable access. Thank you for your co-operation.

Noel Beattie

CONCERT—FRIDAY 18th MARCH at 8pm THE PRIORY SINGERS 30th ANNIVERSARY CONCERT at ST MOLUA'S PARISH CHURCH, STORMONT

Director: Robert Thompson

The programme will consist of music taking us through the reflective period of Lent to the joyous celebration of Easter. In the glorious acoustic of St Molua's every piece will be a treat for the ears so do please come along to support and enjoy this event. The accompanist for the evening will be Ian Mills, Director of Music at St Columb's Cathedral in Londonderry. The concert, on Friday 18th March, will begin at 8pm and admission will be £10. Tickets are available from Anne Cromie.

Robert Thompson

Easter events for Families and Children

This Easter period we will have two days that will be dedicated to our children and families—Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Please try to come on these days as it will be a great time to bond as a church family and chat with people that you may not usually meet. These days will also be a really good opportunity to introduce families that you know to the parish by inviting them along.

Messy Church—Maundy Thursday 24th March, 11am – 1pm

This event is for both families and children, full of crafts and fun and the message of what Easter is really all about. Again, please invite your friends to this event as we will be sharing lunch at the end as an opportunity to get to know others.

Good Friday Children's Service and Easter Egg Hunt—Good Friday 25th March, 11am – 1pm

This event will be an opportunity for you and your children to learn about and reflect on the events leading up to the resurrection with a short informal talk in the church. Children can then take part in our Easter Egg hunt with games and prizes to be won! Refreshments will also be provided for adults who want to take the weight off their feet! This is another great opportunity to introduce people to the Parish, so if you do know a family that would enjoy this, then please invite them along.



Pastoral Visits

I am available to visit families of the parish in their homes if this is something that you wish to avail of. These would be informal chats about church life and how we can better equip you as a family unit and will also give me an opportunity to pray for you as a family. If you wish me to visit you in your home, then please contact me via email or telephone—contact details on the back of these Parish Notes.

Summer

We will be running a short Holiday Bible Club for children this summer, so please keep a look out for the dates which will be confirmed soon. If you are planning to go on holiday and don't want to miss out, then please let me know the dates you are away soon so as I can try to fit around that as best I can.

Frank Dillon – Children's and Family Worker

NORTH BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Thursday 17th March

7.45pm in the Minor Hall

Speaker: Billy McCullough

Topic: Observing Belfast

Everyone welcome

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Visit

www.stpeters.connor.anglican.org
and click on "News".

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Just visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpjbelvast and follow the simple steps to sign up.

Ashlee McCune, Hon Treasurer

AFTER CHURCH REFRESHMENT

Light refreshments will be served after the 11am service on Sunday 13th March and Palm Sunday, 20th March.



You are invited to take part in the Corrymeela Lenten Pilgrimage of Prayer for Peace

Thursday 10th March 2016 at 12 noon

Start point: St Gerard's Church, Antrim Road

End point: St Peter's Church (then returning to St Gerard's)

Length: approx 5 miles, duration 4 hours, including stops at both churches and a pause for lunch.

Walk leader: Brian McLoughlin (email: mcloughlinbm@gmail.com tel 9079 3471). If you plan to join us please let Brian know in advance so that we can inform you of any late change of plan.

Route: From St Gerard's walking up Cavehill, descending to St Peter's, then returning to St Gerard's. Car parking available at St Gerard's. Some steep sections and rough tracks.

Please bring your own packed lunch and water bottle and flask; wear suitable warm clothes, waterproof gear and walking boots. The aim of the Lenten Pilgrimage of Prayer for Peace is to walk, talk, pray, and reflect.

Ladies' Guild

On Tuesday 8th March at 2.30pm our topic is entitled 'What's That You Say Dear?' This will be a humorous look at the language of the young. What can we do to 'get on the same page' as our grandchildren and how easy is it for them to 'get on the same page as us?'

If you would like to attend but don't have transport please contact me or one of our members and we will be happy to arrange a lift for you.

At last month's meeting our speaker was Nisha Tandon from Artsektā. As you can see, and much to everyone's delight, she dressed Norma Young in one of her saris.

Pictured below, from left, Peggy Weir, Norma and Nisha. Nisha's husband taught with Peggy long before they were married. Just out of interest it was an arranged marriage and when Peggy asked Mr Tandon if she could see a picture of his bride he didn't have one to show her as he hadn't yet seen her himself!

Anne Stewart, Hon Sec (tel: 9096 6597)



Women's World Day of Prayer

The annual Women's World Day of Prayer service for this area will be held on Friday 4th March at 2.30pm. It will be hosted by the women of Cavehill Methodist. Please join us in the hall beside the church.

The service has been devised by the women of Cuba. The Parish of St Peter and St James is often very poorly represented so it would be wonderful if you could join us this year.

Anne Stewart

#doit4mencap 2 May 2016

Run, walk or relay to help children and young people with a learning disability in Northern Ireland. With the right support – at the right time – children and young people with a learning disability can live full and happy lives, with bright futures in education, employment and family life. Mencap provides this vital support at our brand new purpose built Mencap Centre. With your help, Mencap can: Help more children and young people with a learning disability, increase our community services in your local area, be there for families across Northern Ireland with support, information and advice.

To find out more information on how your marathon challenge will help children and young people with a learning disability please visit: www.mencapbigstepforward.org. Every single pound you raise will go towards vital service for children and young people in Northern Ireland.

For more information: *write to* Mencap Centre, 5 School Road, Newtownbreda, BT8 6BT; *telephone* 028 9069 1351; *email* fundraising.ni@mencap.org.uk

SOCIAL EVENTS

Three dates for your diary:

Friday 18th March

Bridge Drive in aid of Lighthouse and Northern Ireland Hospice

Saturday 17th September

Harvest Jazz

Friday 9th December

Cavehill Community Choir concert

We are looking for the loan of cake stands for the Bridge event. If you would be willing to lend one please ensure that your name is shown under the bottom plate. Also, we are short of tray bakes. If you could supply one we would be most grateful—there is a sign up list at the back of the church. Thank you.

Annette Beattie (Social Team)

CRAFTY GOODNESS

Last year our Sunday School teacher, Paula Poulton, decided to form a group—‘Crafty Goodness’—to enable parishioners to come together on Tuesday mornings to knit, crochet, do embroidery, or whatever craft they would like, to improve upon it and have some expert guidance on hand at the same time. Tea and coffee was provided but the main rule was ‘no talking’! Well, that didn’t last for more than a few moments and the group quickly grew to over seven regular members—I hear the craic was mighty. After some time Paula decided that the group could embark on a major project to re-cover some hall chairs. Well I would have loved to have seen their faces at this announcement.

Back in 2007 when chairs for the new hall were purchased it was decided that 100 was not enough and a second batch was purchased. Over time, covers on 40 chairs out of this newer batch have not last as they should. So, with nothing going to phase Paula, material, a stapling gun and staples were purchased and a production line was formed—one dismantling chairs, three removing old staples, one cutting cloth, one fitting and stapling it to the chair base and another to reassemble the chairs. It was at this point they found they needed some extra help so I was drafted in for this exercise only. Those involved were Paula, Rosemary J, Daphne, Dora, Anna, Thelma, Marie, Sandra H and Annette. It was hard work but under the expert guidance of Paula they managed to complete around 8 chairs per morning. It is estimated that when completed the parish will have saved nearly £700 against having them done professionally. Do take a look at the refurbished chairs which are stacked in the corridor and you will quickly see that they have been repaired to a very high standard.

The Rector referred to volunteering in last month’s Parish Notes and this is volunteering in the true sense of the word, time given up for a greater cause without looking for reward. However, this doesn’t just apply to the few involved in this project, everyone of us has a skill. It could be in electrics, plumbing, woodwork, painting, gardening, singing—the choice is endless. I think it was JF Kennedy who said, “it’s not what your country can do for you but rather what you can do for your country”. Substitute ‘country’ for ‘parish’ and think of ways you would be willing to volunteer and then tell the Rector how you can help. It might take one hour a week or one hour a month—the choice is yours and actually there are rewards: satisfaction of a job well done and the fun of working with like-minded people.

Thank you to Paula and her team who took the initiative and did a terrific job.

Noel Beattie

Goodbye Winter...

Hello Spring!

Don’t forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Easter Day—
27th March.

ORGANISATIONS - TIMETABLE

Sunday

11am—12noon: Sunday School

Monday

8pm—11pm: Badminton Club

Tuesday

10.30am—12.30pm: Crafty Goodness

2.30pm—4.30pm: Ladies' Guild (2nd Tuesday in month)

6pm—7pm: Beaver Scouts

7pm—8pm: Cub Scouts

8pm—10pm: TCFNI Support for bereaved parents (3rd Tues in month)

Wednesday

2pm—4pm: Bridge Club

6.30pm—7.45pm: PhysioPilates

7.30pm—9pm: Choir

Thursday

10am—11.30am: 'Little Cherubs' Parent and Toddler Group

6pm—7pm: Rainbows

7pm—8pm: Brownies

7.30pm: Bible Study (2nd and 4th Thursday in month)

7.45pm: Historical Society (3rd Thursday in month)

8pm—9.30pm: Guides

Friday

10.30am—11.45am: PhysioPilates

11.30am: Bible Study (1st and 3rd Friday in month)

4.30pm—7.30pm: Speech and Drama

For more information on these organisations (including term dates) please contact the appropriate personnel listed on the back page or the Parish Office.

PARISHIONER CONTACT DETAILS

For speed of communication and to keep our records up to date please send your email address to Anne at stpeterandstjames@outlook.com. Also please don't forget to let us know if you move house, change your telephone number or change your email address. Thank you.

TRAIDCRAFT

Fighting poverty through trade



Stall open on
Sunday
14th February
during coffee time
after the
11am service

MARCH FLOWER LIST

6TH MARY BENTHAM
13TH ROSEMARY HINDS IN MEMORY OF HER HUSBAND
20TH MARIE BURROWES IN MEMORY OF HER MOTHER
27TH EASTER DAY

Thank you to all who give of their time and effort
in beautifying the church with flowers.



PASTORAL CARE

If you would like to arrange for the Rector to visit you at home, whether to share your anxieties in confidence, for spiritual advice, for prayer, or for Holy Communion, then please contact him on his landline, telephone 90 777 053, or on his mobile, telephone 07563 531 082. This is an essential part of his ministry and he will be pleased to visit you and help in whatever way he can.

If the Rector is unavailable, there will be contact details for other clergy on the answer machine.

If you or a loved one is seriously ill, particularly if you are admitted to hospital, please inform the Rector. He often visits the hospitals but has no way of knowing who has been admitted unless he is informed.

If you are visited by a hospital chaplain and they ask if you would like your Rector to visit, please say “yes” and he will gladly come to see you.

THE NEXT MEETING OF
THE SELECT VESTRY
WILL BE ON
MONDAY 14TH MARCH
AT 7.30PM
IN THE MINOR HALL

Holy Dusters Cleaning Rota

29th February—5th March	Group 8
7th March—12th March	Group 1
14th March—19th March	Group 2
21st March—26th March	Group 3
28th March—2nd April	Group 4

Please send material for the April issue of Parish Notes to:

Anne Cromie, Parish Office, St Peter's Church,
Fortwilliam Drive, Belfast BT15 4EB

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by Monday 21st March. Thank you.