

THE PARISH OF ST PETER AND ST JAMES  
BELFAST

# PARISH NOTES

SEPTEMBER 2018

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*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.*



HARVEST  
THANKSGIVING  
SUNDAY  
30th SEPTEMBER

*Eternal God,  
you crown the year with your goodness  
and give us the fruits of the earth  
in their season:  
Grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need  
and for our own well-being;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**GOD . LOVING . PEOPLE**

## RECTOR'S NOTES

### PASTORAL MINISTRY

If parishioners would like the encouragement or support of specifically ordained ministries whether at home/hospital or in St Peter's (particularly scriptural guidance, private confession, anointing for healing, home communion, or a hospital visit) please take the initiative to contact me by emailing [brianlacey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:brianlacey@hotmail.co.uk) or phoning 90 777 053. If I can help in any way, then I will be very glad to do so, but I can only help if you let me know. So please do get in touch.

### MEETINGS

Our next **Parish Meeting** will be held at 7pm (note the new time) in the Minor Hall on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Remember that this is your opportunity to offer constructive advice on how to develop the ministries of the parish, so don't sit at home silently if you have an idea about something new we should be considering, or how we could do things more effectively. Be there and use your voice! All parishioners are welcome.

The next meeting of the **Select Vestry** will be at 7.30pm in the Minor Hall on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September. The minutes of the previous meeting will soon be available for members of the committee to collect at the back of the church.

### FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Following the summer break, our **Thursday Fellowship** group, which meets from 7.30pm-9pm on the first, second, and fourth Thursdays of each month, will resume on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September. We always begin with prayers, normally using the

Late Evening Office, or Holy Communion on Holy Days. Afterwards we have refreshments and Bible Study, in which we will be continuing to read the Acts of the Apostles.

The **Friday Fellowship** group, which meets from 11.30am-1pm on the first and third Fridays of each month, will resume on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Refreshments are served, and then we have Bible Study—resuming the book of 1 Samuel.

From the 16<sup>th</sup> September we will also have a **Sunday Fellowship** group, meeting from 9.45am-10.30am each week. This will be a very informal gathering, with tea/coffee and maybe even a light breakfast (toast!) in which we will explore the Christian faith in a conversational way, using various discipleship courses as the basis of our discussions. If you're a parent then feel free to bring your children along too and let them play in the background, or even join in the conversation if they like!

### **SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER**

The first Sunday in the month (2<sup>nd</sup> September) sees the welcome return of our choir to both the 11am and 6.30pm Sunday services following their summer break. At the beginning of the morning service we will therefore dedicate the members of the choir for the year ahead.

On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 11am we will have a **Songs of Praise** service. No, the BBC won't be there filming us, but we will have a selection of well-known and much-loved hymns alongside appropriate Bible readings and prayers.

On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September we will have "**Back to Church Sunday**" which will focus on a celebration of Holy Communion at 11am, with various parts of our Anglican service briefly explained, in order to enable new (or perhaps even long-time) members understand why we worship as we do. The Sunday School and Toddlers' Crèche will also resume on this day.

On the last Sunday of the month (30<sup>th</sup> September) it's our annual **Harvest Thanksgiving**. As I explain every year, the date of our Harvest service is on the Sunday following the full moon closest to the Autumn Equinox. The date therefore fluctuates between early September and early October. In addition to needing your donations of fruit, vegetables, and flowers to decorate St Peter's, we will also be making our usual donation of tinned goods, tea/coffee, cereals, and hygiene products to the Welcome Organisation, which cares for the homeless.

### ST JAMES' REREDOS

The Representative Church Body which owns St Peter's has given permission for the wooden reredos from St James to be relocated to St Peter's. A reredos is the ornamentation behind a Communion Table, and in St Peter's our reredos is the beautiful stone carving of the women bringing perfume to anoint Jesus' body, only to be told by two angels that he has risen. The reredos from St James is quite different. Rather than stone, it is a series of wooden panels with beautiful paintwork depicting our Lord Jesus and the four Archangels: Gabriel, Michael, Raphael, and Uriel. As this wonderful piece of art is in serious danger of water damage in St James, it will be moved to the north aisle of



St Peter's, with the Communion Table from St James slotted into it, as it was designed to do. Depending on various factors, this might already have happened by the time you are reading this. If not, it should be done during September. I do hope that former parishioners of St James' will enjoy seeing this lovely piece of their history, and that it will further cement the union of the two parishes.

### **EUROPEAN HERITAGE OPEN DAYS**

I am very grateful to all those parishioners who took a little bit of time out of their summer in order to open St Peter's to the public at the end of July and beginning of August: Peter Mulligan, Quintin Mulligan, Annette Beattie, Noel Beattie, Valerie Guest, Margi Crawford, Rosemary Johnston, Jill Bradley, Dora Hanna, Brian Johnson, and David Cromie. Many thanks to all of you. Throughout the week we had a number of visitors come in, from both the local area and much farther afield. All of them remarked on how beautiful St Peter's is!

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September the church will be open again to the public to wander around from 10am-5pm (excluding times of worship). This is part of the European Heritage Open Days, during which places of importance or special interest (many of which normally charge an entrance fee) will be open to visitors. This is the first year for some time that St Peter's has been publicised on the list of places to visit, so hopefully we will have some tourists from all around the world. We do need volunteers to supervise the church, and I suggest we only need two people at any time, with nobody doing more than a three or four hour stint. We therefore need around eight people to volunteer. You won't necessarily have to give a guided tour; all you need to do is make sure the building is safe, and be on hand to answer any straightforward questions you might be asked. Please speak to me if you would like to help.

### **SIDESPERSION**

At our Select Vestry meeting in September, we will need to appoint a fourth Sidesperson, following the elevation of Dora Hanna to Churchwarden. The Sidespersons assist and deputise for the Churchwardens at the 11am and 6.30pm Sunday services. This could include duties such as counting the number of worshippers, collecting Free Will Offerings, lighting candles, turning on the lights/heat/sound, and helping to secure the building at the end of the service. If you would like to be considered for this role then please speak with me as soon as possible for more details.

### **FLOOR POLISHER**

The Very Rev'd Brian Moller has very kindly donated a Floor Polisher to the parish for use on our wooden and tiled floors. Even a quick use of the machine brought up plenty of dirt, so perhaps once a month I'll make a point of giving the floors a good scrub. It's actually quite therapeutic once you get the swing of it! On that note, our wooden floors are in serious need of re-varnishing, so if there's time in the coming months, we might use the



polisher to scrub off the top layer of old varnish in a corner of the church, and apply a new layer, just as a test—both of how effective the machine is, and how effective we are at varnishing floors! It's great to have the ability to attempt this by ourselves, and I am very grateful to the Rev'd Moller for his generosity.



## INCH ABBEY



Despite my fears that there would be torrential rain, I was delighted that the sun was shining on our parish trip to Inch Abbey on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August. We had a picnic when we arrived, followed by a tour of the ruins, and then a short celebration of Holy Communion in the exact place where the monks would have celebrated Mass hundreds of years ago. It was a lovely afternoon, and having received positive feedback, I suggest that we aim to have similar trips to interesting places every summer. Let me know if you have any ideas for places to go next year.

## **LESSON READERS AND INTERCESSORS**

The following parishioners are on the reading/intercessor rota at the 11am Sunday services. If the date is unsuitable, please contact either Sandra Hutchman, tel 95 149 564 (readings), or Rosemary Johnston, tel 9084 0534 (prayers).

<b>Sept</b>	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>
2nd	Colin Bell	Philip Williamson	Noel Beattie
9th	Anne Stewart	Forde Patterson	Dora Hanna
16th	Peter Coiley	Ashlee McCune	David Cromie
23rd	Marie Burrowes	Barbara Greenlees	Sandra Hutchman
30th	Caroline O'Kane	Tom Campbell	Quintin Mulligan

## **Parish Notes On-line**

There are full colour versions of Parish Notes on our website.  
Visit [www.stpeters.connor.anglican.org](http://www.stpeters.connor.anglican.org) and click on "Parish Notes".

## CHURCH SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b>
9am	Holy Communion	<i>traditional, Resurrection, green</i>
11am	Choral Eucharist	<i>modern, Nave, green</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>MID-WEEK</b>
10.30am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN MARY</b> (transferred)
7.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>traditional, Chancel, white</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b>
9am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
11am	Songs of Praise	<i>modern, Nave, green</i>
6.30pm	Evening Prayer	<i>modern, St James, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>MID-WEEK</b>
10.30am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b>
9am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
11am	Choral Eucharist	<i>modern, Nave, green</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>MID-WEEK</b>
10.30am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>ST MATTHEW</b> (transferred)
7.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>traditional, Chancel, red</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b>
9am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
11am	Choral Matins	<i>modern, Nave, green</i>
6.30pm	Compline	<i>traditional, St James, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>MID-WEEK</b>
10.30am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS</b> (transferred)
7.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>traditional, Chancel, white</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>HARVEST THANKSGIVING</b>
9am	Holy Communion	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
11am	Harvest Service	<i>modern, Nave, green</i>
6.30pm	Healing Service	<i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>



## CHURCH SERVICES IN OCTOBER

<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10.30am	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>MID-WEEK</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9am 11am 6.30pm	<b>7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion Choral Eucharist Choral Evensong	<b>THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b> <i>traditional, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10.30am	<b>10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>MID-WEEK</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7.30pm	<b>11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>ST PHILIP THE DEACON</b> <i>traditional, Chancel, red</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9am 11am 6.30pm	<b>14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion Choral Matins Evening Prayer	<b>THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>modern, St James, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10.30am	<b>17<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>MID-WEEK</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7.30pm	<b>18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>ST LUKE</b> <i>traditional, Chancel, red</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9am 11am 6.30pm	<b>21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion Choral Eucharist Choral Eucharist	<b>THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>traditional, Nave, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10.30am	<b>24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>MID-WEEK</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9am 11am 6.30pm	<b>28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion Choral Matins Late Evening Office	<b>BIBLE SUNDAY</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i> <i>modern, Nave, green</i> <i>modern, St James, green</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10.30am	<b>31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER</b> Holy Communion	<b>MID-WEEK</b> <i>modern, Resurrection, green</i>

September Diary						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2</b> 9am Holy Communion 11am Choral Eucharist 6.30pm Choral Evensong	<b>3</b> 7pm Parish Meeting	<b>4</b> 10.30am Crafty Goodness	<b>5</b> 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	<b>6</b> <i>Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred)</i> 7.30pm Holy Communion followed by Thursday Fellowship	<b>7</b> 10.30am PhysioPilates 11.30am Friday Fellowship	<b>8</b> 10am-5pm Church open for European Heritage Day
<b>9</b> 9am Holy Communion 10am-5pm Church open for European Heritage Day 11am Songs of Praise (tea/coffee) 12.15pm Traidcraft Stall 6.30pm Evening Prayer	<b>10</b> 8pm Badminton	<b>11</b> 10.30am Crafty Goodness 6.30pm-8.30pm Registration for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts 7.30pm Priory Singers' Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 10.30am Holy Communion and refreshments 2pm Bridge 6.30pm PhysioPilates 7.30pm Choir	<b>13</b> 6pm Rainbows 7pm Brownies 7.30pm Thursday Fellowship 8pm Guides and Senior Guides	<b>14</b> 10.30am PhysioPilates 4pm Speech and Drama	<b>15</b>

<b>16</b> <b>9am</b> Holy Communion <b>9.45am</b> Sunday Fellowship <b>11am</b> Choral Eucharist and Sunday School and Toddlers' Crèche <b>6.30pm</b> Choral Evensong	<b>17</b> <b>Deadline for material to be with Anne Cromie for October Parish Notes</b> <b>7.30pm</b> Select Vestry <b>8pm</b> Badminton	<b>18</b> <b>10.30am</b> Crafty Goodness <b>6pm</b> Beavers <b>7pm</b> Cubs <b>7.30pm</b> Scouts <b>7.30pm</b> Priory Singers' Rehearsal	<b>19</b> <b>10.30am</b> Holy Communion and refreshments <b>2pm</b> Bridge <b>6.30pm</b> PhysioPilates <b>7.30pm</b> Choir	<b>20</b> <b>Saint Matthew (transferred)</b> <b>6pm</b> Rainbows <b>7pm</b> Brownies <b>7.30pm</b> Holy Communion <b>7.45pm</b> Historical Society <b>8pm</b> Guides and Senior Guides	<b>21</b> <b>10.30am</b> PhysioPilates <b>11.30am</b> Friday Fellowship <b>4pm</b> Speech and Drama	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> <b>9am</b> Holy Communion <b>9.45am</b> Sunday Fellowship <b>11am</b> Choral Matins and Sunday School and Toddlers' Crèche (tea/coffee) <b>6.30pm</b> Compline	<b>24</b> <b>8pm</b> Badminton	<b>25</b> <b>10.30</b> Crafty Goodness <b>6pm</b> Beavers <b>7pm</b> Cubs <b>7.30pm</b> Scouts <b>7.30pm</b> Priory Singers' Rehearsal	<b>26</b> <b>10.30am</b> Holy Communion and refreshments <b>2pm</b> Bridge <b>6.30pm</b> PhysioPilates <b>7.30pm</b> Choir	<b>27</b> <b>Saint Michael and All Angels (transferred)</b> <b>6pm</b> Rainbows <b>7pm</b> Brownies <b>7.30pm</b> Holy Communion followed by Thursday Fellowship <b>8pm</b> Guides and Senior Guides	<b>28</b> <b>10.30am</b> PhysioPilates <b>4pm</b> Speech and Drama	<b>29</b> <b>10am</b> Decoration of the church for Harvest Thanksgiving
<b>30</b> <b>9am</b> Holy Communion <b>9.45am</b> Sunday Fellowship <b>11am</b> Harvest Thanksgiving and Sunday School and Toddlers' Crèche <b>6.30pm</b> Healing Service						<b>1</b>

## HARVEST DECORATION SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 10AM



This year our Harvest Thanksgiving will be held at 11am on Sunday 30th September. As always, we need volunteers, both men and women, to help with the decoration of the church.

We hope that as many people as possible will come along on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 10am to lend a hand.

We also need gifts of flowers, fruit, vegetables and groceries with which to decorate the church and then these will be donated to the Welcome Centre—a charity that provides meals and facilities for the homeless. The Centre also appreciates gifts of hygiene products.

Don't just read this—please come along and help!

## FASHION SHOW in aid of the Northern Ireland Hospice Friday 26th October at 7.30pm in the parish hall

*Clothing donated by leading fashion houses*

*Complimentary glass of wine*

*Ballot*

*Christmas table with*

*cards, calendars, wrapping paper and decorations*

Tickets £10 from Daphne McClements—tel 07730 127350

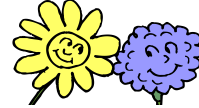
## SUNFLOWER COMPETITION



Hopefully back gardens throughout the parish are displaying lovely tall sunflowers, ready to measure in the run up to our Harvest Festival! Please submit plant height (metric or imperial) by 30th September to Barbara Greenlees or Anne Noblett. Answers on a postcard or text name and height to 07837 510550.

## SEPTEMBER FLOWER LIST

2ND DOROTHY MCCAUSLAND  
16TH ANNA MCALPINE  
23RD JOAN WALKER  
30TH HARVEST THANKSGIVING



Thank you to all who give of their time and effort in beautifying the church with flowers. If possible, flowers should be in keeping with the liturgical colour of the season, particularly during Advent and Lent.

## Scouting at St Peter's

The benefits of volunteering are well proven. Volunteering can help you to reduce stress, find friends, reach out to the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career. Giving to others can also help protect your mental and physical health. Our Scout group at St Peter's desperately needs your help. We are urgently seeking assistant leaders for Beavers (age 6-8 year old) and Scouts (age 10-14). If you are unable to assist you may have a young person in your wider family who could benefit from volunteering to improve their skills and CV. This would also suit a retired person wishing to keep active. There are different roles with varying degrees of commitment so please do get in touch with me, Valerie Gibson, mob 07905 931477, home tel 9077 2699, email [gibsonvalerie01@gmail.com](mailto:gibsonvalerie01@gmail.com), to discuss if you are interested. Full training is provided by Scouts NI. Thank you.

### Our Parish Family ...

Please let us know about any happy events and/or exciting news happening within our parish family. Good news is always worth sharing!

*Congratulations to  
Bertie and Eleanor Nulty  
who celebrated their*

*50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in August  
and to Sam and Joyce Hunter who will  
celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> in September.*



Marie Burrowes would like to thank all the many parishioners who sent good wishes for a speedy recovery following her recent accident and also to all those who took time to visit. She really appreciated all the care and support and, of course, we are all delighted to see her back in St Peter's and well on the road to a full recovery.

*Each year our members vote to support six charities. This year our second chosen charity is Christian Aid.*

## **CHRISTIAN AID**

Everyone is equal in the sight of God. Yet we live in a world where poverty still persists. Poverty is an outrage against humanity. It robs people of their dignity and lets injustice thrive. But together we have the power to transform lives. Together we can create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. Our voices and actions are stronger together. And with your help, we can make an even bigger difference.

Christian Aid's groundbreaking work began in 1945, when we were founded by British and Irish churches to help refugees following the Second World War, so we have more than 70 years' experience of working in partnership to support communities to thrive. We've been standing with the poorest of our neighbours. We work in 37 countries, in the Middle East, Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean with people of all faiths and none, to stand up for dignity, equality and justice.

### **We believe in life before death**

- We seek to follow the teaching of Jesus Christ, who commanded his followers to love their neighbour and work for a better world.
- We stand with the most vulnerable and excluded people of the world – both in times of crisis and for the longer term. We give people survival essentials when they are without shelter or refuge, and help them find the strength and resources they need to flourish and protect themselves from shocks and disasters.
- We support people to stand up for their rights and to build stable, secure lives they can enjoy living.
- We tackle the root causes of poverty so that women, men and children the world over are strengthened against future knocks. And if disasters happen, we get people the help they want straight away.



### **Together with our supporters and partners, we aim:**

- to expose poverty throughout the world,
- to help in practical ways to end it,
- to highlight, challenge and change the structures and systems that favour the rich and powerful over the poor and marginalised.

### **What we do**

We aim to end poverty and injustice worldwide. This involves working in partnership with local organisations, as well as with governments and the private sector.

Our work includes helping people to:

- claim their rights and access services such as healthcare and education,
- ensure they are not discriminated against for any reason,
- become more resilient to shocks and disasters such as drought, climate change and hurricanes,
- make the most of opportunities, such as being able to sell their produce for a fair price.

Christian Aid is a registered charity in the UK (number 1105851).

#### **A prayer for Christian Aid**

*God of all the nations, so many of your children are crying out to you, worn down by injustice and suffering. Help us to fulfil our goal of striving to make real here on earth the vision that Christ spoke of as 'the kingdom of God' where justice reigns. Help us to foster compassion one for another, tolerating damage to no one and oppression by no system. As we remember those living with HIV at this time may we use all our energy and imagination and trusting in your steadfast love to be united in conquering disease and fear. For Jesus' sake. Amen.*

If you would like to support the parish's charitable giving to Christian Aid then we encourage you to give cash, or write a cheque payable to "The Parish of St Peter and St James, Belfast", and bring it to church or to the parish office in an envelope marked "Christian Aid".

*Peter Gray*

# Stand Together

benefit concert

christian  
**aid**



**Saturday 27th October at 7.30pm**  
**Ulster Hall**

An uplifting evening of music and song with 100 performers taking part, including Downshire Brass, members of the Belfast Operatic Company, the Victory Rollers and a Salvation Army children's choir.

This is a benefit concert supporting the work of Christian Aid in over 60 countries around the world.

Tickets

£12 unreserved seating

£15 reserved seating

Book today: [caid.ie/concert](http://caid.ie/concert)

## North Belfast Historical Society

We are a friendly society interested in the history of Belfast, Northern Ireland and Ireland and we meet in the McCollum Minor Hall on the third Thursday of each month (September—May), plus possible annual outing. Our dues are £25.00 per annum/£4.00 per evening.



The Society has been going for 38 years and we actively encourage any recommendation of speakers and/or topics, increasing our knowledge and understanding of our history.

Our first meeting of the 2018/19 season is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September and the speaker will be Clive Scoular, talking on both Vere Foster and Grace O'Malley. Do come along, details as below, where the full 2017/2018 programme will also be available.

You, your family and friends are more than welcome at any of our meetings. *We would love to have you join us—all are most welcome and there is something for everyone.*

**Date:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September—7.30pm for 7.45pm

**Where** McCollum Minor Hall

**Speaker:** Clive Scoular

**Subjects:** Vere Foster and also Grace O'Malley

Clive Scoular is an enthusiastic speaker and author with a passion for Ireland and its history.

Vere Foster: known as a philanthropist, educationalist and social reformer, Vere was born in Amsterdam, Netherlands, where his diplomat father was posted. He was actively involved in Irish society and is well known for his involvement in education, health and immigration of Northern Ireland, both long before and after settling in Belfast in 1867.

Grace O'Malley: aka 'The Sea Queen of Connacht' or 'Pirate Queen Grace'. Upon her father's death Grace took over leadership of his clan in West Ireland. Grace had a fascination with the sea as well as warfare and was a most competent leader in her own right.

NBHS is registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC102097.

## ORGANISATIONS/HALL TIMETABLE

### Sunday

9.45am—10.30am Sunday Fellowship

11am—12noon: Sunday School

### Monday

7.30pm Parish Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Monday in month)

7.30pm Select Vestry (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in month)

8pm—11pm: Badminton Club

### Tuesday

10.30am—12.30pm: Crafty Goodness

2.30pm—4.30pm: Ladies' Guild (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in month)

6pm—7pm: Beaver Scouts

7pm—8pm: Cub Scouts

7.30pm—9pm Scouts

### Wednesday

2pm—4pm: Bridge Club

6.30pm—7.45pm: PhysioPilates

7.30pm—9pm: Choir

### Thursday

6pm—7pm: Rainbows

7pm—8pm: Brownies

7.30pm—9pm: Thursday Fellowship (every week except 3<sup>rd</sup> in month)

7.45pm—9.30pm: Historical Society (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in month)

8pm—9.30pm: Guides and Senior Guides

### Friday

10.30am—11.45am: PhysioPilates

11.30am—12.30pm: Friday Fellowship (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in month)

4pm—8pm: Speech and Drama

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

### 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 90 777 053. 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.

### PARISHIONER CONTACT DETAILS

For speed of communication and to keep our records up to date please send your email address to Anne Cromie at [stpeterandstjames@outlook.com](mailto: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.

### Holy Dusters Cleaning Rota

3rd Sept—8th Sept ----- Group 3

10th Sept—15th Sept ----- Group 4

17th Sept—22nd Sept ----- Group 5

24th Sept—29th Sept ----- Group 6

## PARISH REGISTER

### *Christian Burial*

*"At rest in the Lord."*

*Dorothy Culltenden, Lansdowne Park  
Cremation at Roselawn on 25th July 2018*

*John McCreary, ex Downview Park West  
Cremation at Roselawn on 1st August 2018*

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by Monday 17th September. Thank you.*