

Forward Look - coming events in the Irish Churches

18 OCTOBER

Thomas Dineley Conference at Christ Church Cathedral

Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, will host a conference in its Chapter Room on Saturday 18 October 2014 on the subject of the English antiquary, Thomas Dineley (or Dingley) who visited Ireland in 1680–1. His importance lies in the journal that he kept, now preserved as Ms 392 in the National Library of Ireland, in which he not only comments on what he saw on his Irish travels, but also draws in some detail 'Monuments, Inscriptions, draughts of towns, Castles, etc.'

Chaired by Jane Fenlon and David Dickson, speakers will discuss Dineley's view of the cathedral of Christ Church in Dublin and the castle in Kilkenny, as well as his accuracy and attention to detail, particularly with regard to Dublin funerary monuments. Overviews will also be provided of his cultural world and his interest in Irish architecture and gardens.

The conference will be followed by choral evensong at 5pm with an appropriately late 17th—century selection of music, sung with instruments by Peregryne (https://www.facebook.com/Peregryne). A reception will follow in the crypt.

All are most welcome, and enquiries (to allow for numbers) should be directed to the organiser, Dr Amy Harris at thomasdineleyconf@gmail.com.

Connor Big Adventure day for children

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. St. Paul's Church Hall, *3 Ballinderry Road, Lisburn, Co. Antrim BT28 1UD.* Admission £3 for children and leaders go free

Meet and Sing Evensong, Kilkenny

Saint Canice's Cathedral, Kilkenny at 2:00 PM. An opportunity to meet the RSCM Coordinator for Ireland, Mark Bowyer and to explore the work of the RSCM, look at accessible resources and the available RSCM training schemes. Following the information session there will be a rehearsal followed by Choral Evensong sung by the participants and led by cathedral musicians Malcolm Proud and David Forde. Open to choirs, individuals, clergy, affiliates and non-affiliates alike

Please email mbowyer@rscm.com or call +353 (0)871172995 to register your interest.

Lisburn event to help churches develop leaders

A new CPAS training day entitled 'Growing leaders in the local church' is taking place at Christ Church Lisburn on Saturday 18 October.

Bishop Ken Clarke will be speaking, along with CPAS general director John Dunnett and Kate Marshall, a facilitator and coach who runs her own business helping organisations grow and succeed through developing their people. The training day will enable participants to grow leaders within their local church, as well as help individuals further their own growth as a leader. It is open to ministers, vestry members, elders, Readers, youth leaders and anyone else involved in leadership in a local church.

Paul Dundas, Rector of Christ Church, said: 'We're very much looking forward to hearing leadership insights and wisdom from Bishop Ken, John Dunnett and Kate Marshall. We warmly invite anybody who is involved in local church leadership to come along to this training day to be encouraged and given tools to develop leadership, so that local churches across the country can become more effective in their mission and ministry.'

This is the seventh CPAS event at Christ Church Lisburn since Christ Church became a training centre for the Anglican evangelical mission agency in 2013. Previous events have covered key leadership topics such as mentoring, realising vision, sustaining oneself in leadership and managing change. Paul Dundas said: 'All the events have the aim of seeing lay and ordained leaders grow, churches strengthened, and many won for Christ through their mission.'

'Growing Leaders in the local church' will take place between 10am-3.30pm on Saturday 18 October at Christ Church Lisburn. Spaces are limited, and

can be booked online at www.cpas.org.uk/lisburn for £20 per person. For every two places booked, a third place is free.

Praying Well

Designed to encourage theological reflection, fellowship and discussion on "everyday" discipleship matters, the "Faith in Everyday Living series", will look at the following theme in October:

Praying Well, an exploration on how to deepen one's experience of prayer and "styles" of prayer. Facilitated by Louise Wilson (Training & Development Officer, ETC) and David Brown, (Lay Training Co-ordinator, CITI).

10.00 am – 3.30 pm - Edgehill Theological College, Belfast

Pursuing Transformation with Tearfund

"Pursuing Transformation" is about exploring a fresher and deeper understanding of personal, church and community transformation. We want to support and equip you in your calling to see individuals thrive and communities flourish.

18 October 2014 from 9.30 am – 1.30 pm. Carnmoney Presbyterian Church

Keynote speakers

Chris Wright is an Anglican clergyman and Old Testament scholar. He is currently the International Ministries Director of Langham Partnership International. Chris spent five years teaching the Old Testament in India, and thirteen years as Academic Dean and then Principal of All Nations Christian College, in England.

Darrell Tunningley is a former drug dealer, addict and convicted armed robber. God broke dramatically into his life and Darrell is now at the forefront of community mission. He is also part of the senior leadership of Hope Corner Community Church. Find out more about Darrell's story and his ministry here: www.unreachable.org.uk

Keynote addresses

Chris Wright – speaking on the theology of transformation

Darrell Tunningley – speaking from a practical perspective of personal transformation and how that has led him to his work in the wider community.

Seminar streams (choice of 2 out of 3)

- "Beyond foodbanks" with Helen Sloan (Storehouse, Northdown) and Julie Rutledge (CAP)
- 2. "From global to local" partnerships and learning: with Derek Hall and Revd Liz Hughes
- "Sharing your faith in the community" with Darrell Tunningley and John Beattie

Booking

Online here Or call Jane or Diane in the Belfast Tearfund office: 028 9073 0060

Download a flyer here

Self-harm talk

Cathy Bell will be delivering a talk entitled 'Self-harm: the hidden harm and the churches' response'. This talk at 11:00 AM in Kilfennan Presbyterian Church will be similar to the one she gave at the Taking Care Conference in April.

Cathy Bell is Regional Co-ordinator for The Independent Counselling Service for Schools, Chair of The British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy for Children and Young People and on the Board of Directors of The Big House, Ireland. Cathy has also been involved in children's ministry in her own church and has served as a PCI Missionary.

You can register for this event by email: takingcare@presbyterianireland.org or phone: +44 (0)28 9041 7290

The day will begin with refreshments at 10:30am

19 OCTOBER

Dublin and Glendalough Annual Diocesan Healing Service

The Dublin and Glendalough Annual Diocesan Healing Service will take place in St Patrick's Church, Powerscourt, on Sunday October 19 at 5.00 pm. Archbishop Michael Jackson will preach at the service and will also commission newly appointed prayer ministers. There will be a reception afterwards and everyone is warmly invited.

Licensing of Diocesan Readers

Licensing of new Diocesan Readers at St. Eunan's Cathedral, Raphoe, at 7pm

20 OCTOBER

Service on Praying for those with cancer in St. Anne's Cathedral

Bishop Ken Clarke, director of the South American Missionary Society, will be the speaker at a special service of healing in St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast on Monday, October 20 at 8 pm. The theme of the service will be 'Praying for those with cancer'.

These special services have been held twice a year for a number of years, focussing particularly on those suffering from cancer, as well as their friends and family. Last year cancer accounted for almost 30% of people who died in Northern Ireland. Medical facilities for those suffering from this illness are well publicised. Not so much is known about spiritual healing, yet this dimension of healing is very important. Brother David Jardine, one of the organisers of the services, says 'It will help people in body, mind and spirit to come to that service on October 20 and receive prayer. Indeed, sometimes God does a miracle. Two or three years ago a woman suffering from an advanced stage of lung cancer was completely healed.'

Personal prayer for healing and the anointing with oil will be available at this service. Although we will be concentrating particularly on the theme of cancer on October 20 people can come for prayer for anything. Some of the official cancer agencies will be present to give advice to people. Worship will be led by Caz Hamilton.

You will be very welcome to come along to this special service.

Clogher MU Visitors Night

Phyllis Grothier, MU All Ireland President is coming to speak at a visitors night in Derryvullen South parish hall, Tamlaght, on Monday 20th October 2014 at 8pm. Please ring or email Mrs Valerie Stewart on 02866387236 by Friday 17th October if you intend to attend.

21 OCTOBER

Dublin and Glendalough Diocesan Synods

Dublin and Glendalough Diocesan Synods take place in Taney Parish Centre on Tuesday October 21 2014.

This will be the first year for the new one—evening Synods and proceedings begin with a celebration of Holy Communion in Christ Church, Taney, at 4.00 pm during which Archbishop Michael Jackson will give an address.

The business of the Synod will begin at the end of the Service of Holy Communion in the adjoining Parish Centre. Synods conclude at 10.00 pm.

'Remembering a Decade of Change & Violence in Ireland, 1912-1922,

A seven-week education and training programme on 'Remembering a Decade of Change and Violence in Ireland, 1912-1922,' will be delivered by Rev Dr Johnston McMaster and Dr Cathy Higgins each Tuesday from 21 October to 2 December at the Lansdowne Hotel, 657 Antrim Road in Belfast. The evening begins with tea/coffee/sandwiches from 6 pm and the training runs from 6.30-9.30 pm.

Social Media Training: Understanding Facebook, Twitter and other Social Media

Taking Care Social Media Training provided by the Presbyterian Church is specifically designed to provide practical steps for leaders and parents, enabling them to protect and support healthy relations in the online world.

The presentation takes a look at what social media is and highlights some of the dangers present online but at the same time embracing the positives. The presentation also considers what our response to social media might be – as parents, leaders of young people and as the church. The training includes some short CEOP (Child Exploitation Online Protection) films which would not be recommended to any children under 12 years old.

The presentation will last approx. 1 hour or 1hr 30mins (Dependant on group discussion.)

If you wish to attend this training please contact the host Congregation, OC Presbyterian Church, Randalstown or for more information contact Amanda

at the Taking Care Office on akyle@presbyterianireland.org or +44 (0)28 9041 7290.

The event commences at 7:30 PM

Clogher MU Visitors Night

Special Guest Linda Bryans, will be speaking about mental health issues. 8pm. Colebrooke Hall

22 OCTOBER

Drama on trafficking at Queens Chaplaincies

7.30 - 9.30 pm. The Chaplaincies at Queen's, in conjunction with the International Justice Mission, present 'It's Not Fair,' a play on the issue of human trafficking.

This exciting new theatre show is performed by the highly acclaimed UK based Rhema Theatre Company.

City of Derry International Choral Festival

The City of Derry International Choral Festival, which will run from 22nd-26th October, in this its second year, has already attracted over 70 choirs who wish to participate. School, national and international choirs will compete in a range of categories, perform in public spaces throughout the city, participate in choral workshops and take part in exciting concerts over the five-day event.

Aside from the competitive focus, the City of Derry comes alive with pop-up performances, high-quality concerts and educational activities providing a celebration of everything choral music has to offer.

An initiative of the City of Derry Civic Choirs with the support of Walled City Music, the festival is already establishing itself firmly on the global calendar of international choral festivals.

It is hoped that, as part of a 'Sacred Trail'on Sunday 26th October, churches throughout the city, including St Columb's Cathedral, will host visiting choirs as part of their regular Sunday services

The Dean was invited to the launch of the Choral Festival recently in The City Hotel when details of this year's Programme were launched by Artisitic Director of the Festival, Mr Donal Doherty.

Festival Evening Programme 22nd October – 26th October 2014 THE SIXTEEN 'QUEEN OF HEAVEN' Wednesday 22nd October, The Guildhall, 7.30 pm

NEIL COWLEY TRIO/ UTOPIA & REALITY/ CODETTA Thursday 23rd October St Columb's Hall, 7.30 pm

THE SWINGLE SINGERS 'TIMELESS' Friday 24th October St Columb's Hall, 7.30 pm

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION Saturday 25th October St Columb's Hall, 7.30 pm

CLOSING GALA CONCERT AND AWARDS Sunday 26th October St Columb's Hall, 7.30 pm

Tickets are available from The Millennium Forum Box Office, New Market Street, Londonderry. Telephone: 028 7126 4455. Book online at www.millenniumforum.co.uk

Further details can be found online at www.codichoral.com.

Cashel Diocesan synod

Cashel, Ferns and Ossory synod 2:30 am - 9:45 pm Kildalton Agricultural College

Derry and Raphoe Diocesan Synod

A service of Holy Communion will start the day at 2.15pm, and then the members of Synod will go to Clooney Methodist Hall for the business of Synod. The bishop will take the chair at 3.30pm. This is a triennium year where the diocesan synod votes for representatives for all committees and General Synod. Clooney Hall Centre, 36 Clooney Terrace, Londonderry, Derry BT47 6AR

23 OCTOBER

Weaving The Fabric of Creation - Derry Cathedral lecture

The Autumn Lecture of The Friends of Saint Columb's Cathedral will take place on Thursday

23rd October in the context of the opening of 'On Earth As It Is In Heaven', an Exhibition of images and words on Linen in the Bible. The Exhibition, designed by Dr Margaret Barker and Mr Bruce Clark, will open at 7.00 pm that evening and will be followed at 7.45 pm by a lecture by Dr Barker, 'Weaving The Fabric of Creation'.

Mr Clark, a member of the well-known linen-manufacturing family from Upperlands, will also speak about the linen industry. Refreshments will be served at 9.00 pm. The Friends of the Cathedral commend this special event and exhibition to as many others as possible.

Downpatrick Methodist, Faith in a Divided Society, Baroness May Blood

Baroness Blood will be this year's speaker at the Downpatrick Methodist Society's annual public meeting, offered to ther community, where an individual is invited to reflect on their faith as it relates to their work.

May Blood was born in Belfast and worked in a linen mill for almost forty years, becoming a shop steward and active trade-unionist. She was increasingly involved in community work in West Belfast when the 'troubles' were at their height, and has continued to be engaged in social action, taking a particular interest in integrated education, in social deprivation, and the place of women in politics. She was elevated to the House of Lords in 1999 as a Labour peer.

Baroness Blood is a Presbyterian. Her theme will be 'Faith in a divided community?', asking questions about how faith works and what our faith says to those around us.

The meeting is on Thursday, 23rd October 2014 at 8 p.m. in the Methodist Church, Scotch Street, Downpatrick and everyone, from near and far, is warmly invited to come.

Previous speakers have been former local MP Eddie McGrady, Northern Ireland Victims Commissioner Brendan McAllister, Marie Walshe, nurse and Church of Ireland minister, and Rev Dr Johnston McMaster, Methodist minister.

Email: <u>ken.connor@irishmethodist.org</u> Phone: (028) 4372 3474. Website with Further Details: <u>http://downmethodist.info/</u>

Cookery night with Bishop of Connor

A Cookery Demonstration by Bishop Alan Abernethy and local chef Aaron Heasley. Tickets including refreshments: £5 available from the Parish Office. Proceeds to St Apollo School, Diocese of Luwero, Uganda. Christ Church, *Hillsborough Road, Lisburn, 7.30 - 9..30*

24 OCTOBER

Mission to Seafarers Wooly Hat Day

Flying Angel Seafarers' Centre, *Prince's Dock Street, Belfast, 12.00 pm - 2.30 pm.* Admission £7.50. Everyone is welcome, and the event offers a unique opportunity to visit the centre and learn more about the lives of the people that work at sea.

Bram Stoker Festival event at Christ Church Cathedral

Following last year's sell-out success of 'Der Golem', Christ Church Cathedral is welcoming back acclaimed, eclectic music ensemble, 3epkano, performing a live score to the legendary Gothic classic, 'The Cabinet of Dr Caligari' - Friday 24 October at 8pm

A huge commercial and critical success in its day, it is one of the most influential films of the German Expressionist movement and considered the first true horror film as well as introducing the 'twist ending' in cinema. It was inspired by the unsolved murder of a girl during a carnival and was directed by acclaimed German director Robert Wiene with renowned Expressionist designers Hermann Warm, Walter Roehrig and Walter Reimann, all affiliated to the magazine Sturm and who created the innovative painted sets that included distorted perspectives, twisted shapes and sharp angles.

The film tells the tale of showman, Dr Caligari (Werner Krauss), who appears in a small town with his marvel, Cesare the Somnambulist (Conrad Veidt), a man who has been asleep for 23 years and is now under Caligari's murderous, hypnotic control. At night, he slithers through the town murdering people on the doctor's orders until a young student becomes suspicious when his friend is found dead. As a series of disturbing events unfold, the townspeople discover a truth, hiding something even more sinister then they could ever have imagined.

3epkano are a Dublin based collective, formed by Cameron Doyle and Matthew Nolan, who are dedicated to producing original soundtracks to silent, avant-garde, and contemporary cinema. Since 2004, the group have played numerous headline shows in both Ireland and the US to huge critical acclaim.

Tickets are now on sale and cost €15 per person and are available from www.entertainment.ie or by calling 01 677 8099.

Doors open at 7.15pm and the screening will begin at 8pm sharp.

Autumn Soul 2014 - Oaks of Righteousness

Autumn Soul 2014 - Check out the The Methodist Church in Ireland's Youth and Children's Department web site for more info - http://www.irishmethodist.org/imycd/autumn-soul-2014

Friday, 24 October, 2014 - 19:00 to Sunday, 26 October, 2014 - 15:00

Venue: Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church - Bangor, Co Down Church or Organisation: he Methodist Church in Ireland's Youth and

Children's Department

Email: imycd@irishmethodist.org

Website with Further Details: http://www.irishmethodist.org/imycd/autumn-

soul-2014

30 OCTOBER

Hugo Duncan's Country Show Damask Community Outreach

Hugo Duncan's Country Show - Thursday 30th October 2014 in Seymour Street Methodist Church Hall, Lisburn at 8.00pm. Tickets £15. Supporting Artistes, Ann Breen, Gary Gamble, Boxcar Brian, Sharon Nixon and Country Harmony...for tickets contact 07746 666860 or 07778 119231.

Damask Community Outreach, Email: <u>info@damasklisburn.org</u>. Phone: 07746 666860 or 07778 119231.

Website with Further Details: http://www.damasklisburn.org/

1 NOVEMBER

Church of Ireland Historical Society's winter conference

The Church of Ireland Historical Society's winter conference will take place at 10.30am on Saturday, 1 November 2014 in the newly refurbished Music Room at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin. As usual, enter via the door to Chapter Room where those at the registration table will direct you upstairs. Speakers include Dr Caroline Gallagher (Maynooth University), Revd Canon Patrick Comerford (Church of Ireland Theological Institute) and Dr Martin Maguire (Dundalk Institute of Technology). The research paper will be delivered by Mr Jeffrey Cox (University College Dublin).

Dr Gallagher will speak on First Fruits' churches in early nineteenth-century Meath. Mr Cox will discuss state negligence and the diocese of Kildare under the Tudor episcopate of Alexander Craic. Revd Canon Comerford will

examine the archbishops of Dublin and the deanery of Penkridge, while Dr Maguire assesses Protestant republicans in the revolutionary period, *c*. 1912-23.

Coffee and registration will begin from 10.30am, followed by the first paper at 11am.

Full details of the conference programme are available here: <u>Historical Society Meeting (Nov. 2014)</u>

All members of the public are welcome to attend.

2 NOVEMBER

Come and Sing - Faure Requiem

Saint Bartholomew's Church, Dublin - This regular 'Come and Sing' event will be held in the beautiful Saint Bartholomew's Church in Dublin 4. The event will be directed by Tristan Russcher, director of music at Saint Bartholomew's. The rehearsal will start at 2pm (with registration from 1.30pm). Refreshments will be available and the performance will take place at 4pm. The event is open to all, affiliates and non-affiliates as usual. The cost is €10 (affiliates) or €12.50 (non-affiliate fee).

Please confirm your attendance by downloading and completing the booking form available http://rscmireland.com/events/

3 NOVEMBER

St Columb's Cathedral series on 1st World War

All of the events commence at 7.30pm in St Columb's Cathedral.

3 November - A Literary World Bereft The loss sustained by the deaths of war poets. By The Dean of Derry, The Very Rev Dr William Morton

11 November - 'Marching as to War'
The Story of the Hamilton Flute Band in words and music. By The Dean of Derry, The Very Rev Dr William Morton

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18 November - 'The contribution of 'The Derrys' to the First World War 'by Richard Doherty

25 November - 'The Chords Which Linger'
The contribution of composers who died in the First World War By The Dean
of Derry, The Very Rev Dr William Morton

4 NOVEMBER

C of I archives focus of Dublin launch by Minister for Education

The Minister for Education Jan O'Sullivan TD will launch volume 21 of Irish Archives (the journal of the Irish Society for Archives, edited by Susan Hood and Elizabeth McEvoy) which this year is devoted to the records of the Church of Ireland. The launch will take place on Tuesday 4 November 2014 at 6.15pm.

Minister O'Sullivan is the first person to hold this particular ministerial portfolio who happens also to be a member of the Church of Ireland and she will perform the honours on Irish Archives at St Patrick's Cathedral Deanery, Upper Kevin Street, with the kind permission of the Dean, Very Reverend Victor Stacey.

The Church of Ireland does not always get the credit it deserves for gathering records together and keeping them safe. This volume of Irish Archives aims to set the record straight by paying tribute to those who have looked after an array of parish collections, diocesan papers and miscellaneous manuscripts in local and central custody and by providing a platform for the current generation of historians and archivists to reassess and reconstruct some of the complex aspects of Church of Ireland identity.

Speaking on this theme, Minister O'Sullivan said: "Record–keeping does not always get the recognition it deserves. However, it is vitally important that we retain a documented link with our past in order to fully understand our present. Church records are a particularly valuable source of information and I am delighted to see those from the Church of Ireland get the recognition they deserve in this volume of Irish Archives."

The Chairman of the Irish Society for Archives, Dr Raymond Refaussé (who is also Librarian and Archivist at the Representative Church Body Library)

responded: "I welcome the Minister's endorsement of the importance of archives and urge the government, of which she is a member, to appropriately fund this greatly valued but seriously under resourced sector of Irish cultural life".

Launch at St Patrick's Deanery, Upper Kevin Street, Dublin 8 on Tuesday 4 November 2014 at 6.15pm

More at -

http://ireland.anglican.org/index.php?do=news&newsid=5363

Lunchtime lectures at Christ Church, Dublin

Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, will host four weekly talks over the course of November on various historical aspects as part of its 'Introducing Christ Church' lunchtime lecture series. They will be held in the Chapter House Music Room beginning at 1.05pm and ending at 1.35pm, followed by refreshments and discussion until 2pm. Admission is free and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

Today - 'Cathedral Architecture' by Dr Michael O'Neill (Architectual historian)

Safeguarding Trust training for clergy

Safeguarding Trust is the Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children

Who is the training for?

Clergy who are newly ordained, in a first incumbency, new to the jurisdiction, returning to parish ministry or who may have missed out on previous training. It is also suitable for clergy who would like to refresh their knowledge of the child protection policy.

Rectors have a key role in ensuring a high standard of safeguarding practice in their parishes. This training day provides an opportunity to increase knowledge of the requirements of the code and to learn about impending legal changes in relation to child protection in the Republic of Ireland.

When: Tuesday 4th November 2014

Where: Church House, Dublin 6

Time: 10.30am-4pm. Lunch will be provided

Please contact Renée English Child Protection Officer at cpori@ireland.anglican.org

Or telephone 01–4125662 by Friday 24th October to book your place

5 NOVEMBER

Onwards Christian Soldiers - Remembrance

The parish of Magheralin is taking a creative approach to outreach with a World War One remembrance event in their halls on 5 November at 7.30 pm.

'Remember, Remember' will include an exhibition of WW1 Memorabilia, a community sing along to war time songs and hymns and a presentation of the gospel entitled, "Onward Christian Soldiers? What place did faith have in World War One?"

Everyone will receive a copy of the 100th Anniversary edition of the Active Service St John's Gospel and at the end of the evening The Last Post will be played.

6 NOVEMBER

Mental Health & Pastoral Care: A Specialist Workshop for Clergy & Pastoral Carers

Trainers: Rev. Dr. Scott Peddie, Dr. Volodimir Bezulowsky (Psychiatrist)

& Dr. Paul Miller (Consultant Psychiatrist and Psychogeriatrician)

Date: Thursday 6th November 2014 from 1-5pm

Venue: Mirabilis Health, Holywood House, Holywood, BT18 9HF

Cost: £45 per person (includes refreshments)

This interactive course is designed especially for Ministers/Priests/Pastors/ Pastoral Carers and will comprise the following sessions:

- Exploding the myths surrounding mental illness.
- Exploring the pastoral implications of some commonly encountered mental illnesses (depression, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia among others).
- Exploring the range of Christian responses to mental ill-health.
- Revisiting that Christian response: the interface between faith and mental illness.

Scott Peddie comments - I do hope that you can join us on this exciting course! To book your place, please e-mail (scottpeddie@sky.com) at your earliest convenience.

7 NOVEMBER

Prof John Sweeney Eco-Congregation Event, Cork

John Sweeney, former Professor of Geography at NUI Maynooth, will be speaking at an Eco-Congregation Ireland event in Carrigaline Church of Ireland, Cork, on 7th November.

Prof Sweeney has taught courses related to climatology and environmental resource management as well as biogeography and geomorphology. Over the past 30 years he has published 60 scientific papers and edited/co-authored four texts on various aspects of climatology and climate change in Ireland. As one of the contributing authors and review editors of the Fourth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), John shared with several hundred other climatologists the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize.

<u>fionam1840@gmail.com</u> Website with Further Details: <u>http://ecocongregationireland.com/archives/4714</u>

8 NOVEMBER

Tuam Quiet Day

Compassion: Seeing with the Heart, a Quiet Day with Dr Iva Beranek, will be held on Saturday, 8th November 2014, in St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam.

Come at 11am for coffee for an 11.15 start. The day will conclude with the Eucharist to finish at 4pm. Coffee, tea and soup will be provided, but participants are encouraged to bring a sandwich to complete their lunch. All are most welcome, and there is no charge to attend.

To enquire further, or to register your attendance, please contact Dean Alistair Grimason (deantuam@gmail.com).

Lift up your voice

St Bartholomew's Church, Clyde Road, Dublin 4, at 2.00 pm. A course for churches with no musical leadership. Intended for lay and ordained leaders, this course offers simple, achievable music for use where there is no trained musical leadership, and insights for celebrating the church's seasons creatively. Copiable resources are included in the cost, which is €12.50 per person. The event is directed by Mark Bowyer, RSCM coordinator for Ireland.

To book and for further details please download the booking form available http://rscmireland.com/events/

M14 Mandate 2014

M14 is a gathering of sent disciples, from all areas of society, from all across Northern Ireland and beyond, all seeking to be inspired and equipped to live Kingdom lives with mission and discipleship at the core.

More info and booking at <u>askwhatnow</u>

KARL MARTIN

Karl is Senior Pastor of Central in the City of Edinburgh. He is married to Niki and they have four daughters. Karl loves the Church and longs for her to become everything that God calls her to be - passionate, creative, missional, able and alive. Karl's first book 'Stand' is now available.

DAVE DICKINSON

Dave is the worship associate at Carnmoney Church. He is passionate about developing musically relevant, spirit led worship within the local church framework— worship that is raw and honest, speaking of a God who is present amongst His people. A Law graduate from Queens, he has been the head of Alpha Northern Ireland for nearly 4 years, working with churches all across the province. He and his wife Joy live in Newtownabbey. He is passionate about guitars, coffee, football and downhill mountain biking.

Saturday, 8 November, 2014 (All day). Venue: Assembly Buildings Conference Centre 2-10 Fisherwick Place, Belfast, BT1 6DW. Email: hello@askwhatnow.org. Website with Further Details: http://askwhatnow.org

Softly March Away – Greystones and the Great War

St Patrick's Church in Greystones is holding a World War 1 commemorative evening. Entitled Softly March Away – Greystones and the Great War centres

around a war memorial tablet in the church which bears the names of 22 parishioners who were killed in the war.

Written and presented by Irish Times journalist, Peter Murtagh, the evening will highlight the men's stories – who they were, where they lived and how they died. Among them were an international rugby player, medics, a journalist, a cross country athlete, at least one career soldier, a forestry worker, a solicitor and a husband.

There will be musical accompaniment by mezzo soprano Dara McMahon, baritone Rory Musgrave and pianist Svetlana Rudenko who will perform songs of the era.

The remembrance evening in the church gets underway at 8.00 pm. Tickets cost €10 each and are on sale from the parish office of St Patrick's Church, Mooney's Shop on Trafalgar Road, Greystones and Greystones Antiques by the Dart Station. They will also be available on the door on the night if there are any remaining.

Proceeds from the evening will go to the parish funds and there will be a retiring collection for the Royal British Legion.

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by refreshments and discussion until 2pm. Admission is free and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

'Cathedral Monuments' by Dr Stuart Kinsella (Christ Church research advisor)

Suicide Prevention and Awareness Evening

A suicide prevention and awareness evening is being organised by the Dublin and Glendalough Diocesan Committee for Social Action and the Diocesan Ministry of Healing Committee on November 11 at 7.30pm at the Church of Ireland College of Education, Rathmines Upper. The speaker is Joan Freeman, founder of Pieta House. Admission is free and all are welcome. For further details, please contact Avril Gillatt (059 862 4974).

12 NOVEMBER

Accepting Sexuality Group: Christianity of Gay and Lesbian Truthfulness

How do we give those who have been opposed to us, hated us, or frightened of us, a soft-landing in the world in which we are increasingly coming to be seen as a rather normal part of the fabric of daily life? James will explore with us the ways in which we can find ourselves able to narrate who we are within, and standing on the shoulders of, the Christian narrative. If we find ourselves able to this with magnanimity, we will be in a better position to help welcome those who have been, or are, scandalised by us, into a fuller inclusion, for themselves and for us, in the life of the Church.

James Alison is a Catholic priest and theologian. Born in London, he currently lives in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Author of eight books, and published in as many languages, his most recent work is the course of Introduction to the Christian Fath for Adults entitled Jesus the Forgiving Victim (www.forgivingvictim.com) in which he explores the fecundity of the thought of Rene Girard for Basic Christianity. He is also known as one of the few openly gay Catholic priest-theologians in the world, and has been accompanying groups of gay and lesbian believers in many countries for many years.

Wednesday, 12 November, 2014 - 20:00. Venue: Agape Centre, 238 Lisburn Road BELFAST BT9 6GF. Accepting Sexuality Group

Email: mail@acceptingsexuality.org. Website with Further Details: http://acceptingsexuality.org/wp/

15 NOVEMBER

Building Block Childrens' Ministry Conference - Belfast

Building Blocks is a conference to support those working with children and young people in their local church, community and school and to encourage others to be involved in this vital ministry.

This year the seminars will be giving new ideas and developing new skills so the focus is a "how to" guide.

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Celebrate Christmas, Easter and Harvest
Manage the chaos
Help boys enjoy church
Connect with parents through Messy Church

Saturday, 15 November, 2014 (All day). Assembly Buildings, 2-10 Fisherwick Place, Belfast, BT1 6DW. Church or Organisation:

Building Blocks Childrens' Ministry. Email: belfast@buildingblocks.ie Website with Further Details:

http://www.buildingblocks.ie/belfast.html

Come and Sing, Cork

St Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork. Come and join us on Saturday 15 November 2014 at 2pm at Saint Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork. There will be an opportunity to meet the RSCM Ireland coordinator, Mark Bowyer and view some of the resources that are available to help those who are involved in music in their church. The main event will be a Come and Sing Evensong where there will be an opportunity to join other singers in rehearsing for the service which will take place at 4pm in the cathedral. The cathedral director of music Malcolm Wisener will lead this event and all are welcome to join the rehearsal and service. There is no charge for the event and all music will be provided. A contribution may be made towards the cost of refreshments. A booking form is available here. http://rscmireland.com/events/

18 NOVEMBER

St Columb's Cathedral series on 1st World War

At 7.30pm in St Columb's Cathedral.

'The contribution of 'The Derrys' to the First World War 'by Richard Doherty

Lunchtime lectures at Christ Church, Dublin

Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, will host four weekly talks over the course of November on various historical aspects as part of its 'Introducing Christ Church' lunchtime lecture series. They will be held in the Chapter House Music Room beginning at 1.05pm and ending at 1.35pm, followed by refreshments and discussion until 2pm. Admission is free and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

'Cathedral Portraits' by Dr Raymond Refaussé (Librarian and archivist of the RCB Library)

19 NOVEMBER

'Ethics of War' Lecture to Mark Centenary of Outbreak of First World War

To mark the Centenary of the outbreak of the First World War, the Church of Ireland Historical Centenaries Working Group presents the 'Ethics of War', a lecture by Professor Nigel Biggar with a response by Professor Keith Jeffery in the Music Room of Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday November 19 at 7.30 pm.

Professor Nigel Biggar of the University of Oxford will speak on the theme based on his recent book *In Defence of War*, to which Professor Keith Jeffrey of Queen's University, Belfast will respond referring to his recent historical research. The event will be chaired by Dr John Bowman who will open up debate and discussion to the audience.

This open event is organised by the Church of Ireland's Historical Centenaries Working Group as a contribution to the commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War, the event complements the 'Lives Remembered' exhibition and programme at St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.

22 NOVEMBER

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Saturday, 22 November, 2014 (All day). Venue: All Hallows Drumcondra. Building Blocks Childrens' Ministry. Email: dublin@buildingblocks.ie Website with Further Details: http://www.buildingblocks.ie/dublin.html

"Journey of Forgiveness", a Quiet Day with the Rev. Ruth Patterson

A Quiet Day led by the Rev. Ruth Patterson will take place in Raphoe Cathedral.

The organisers - the Church's Ministry of Healing state - "Throughout our day together we will reflect on the process or the journey of forgiveness, enter into some practical exercises and, then, recognising that forgiveness and reconciliation are not the same, we will move into a workshop based on Psalm 85:10 that will help us identify what is necessary in order for reconciliation to take place." All are welcome to attend, and participants from other dioceses are invited to come too. The day will start at 12 noon and conclude by 3.45pm. Coffee and tea will be provided, but participants need to bring their own lunch. To register your attendance please contact Dr Iva Beranek at iva@ministryofhealing.ie.

St Columb's Cathedral series on 1st World War

At 7.30pm in St Columb's Cathedral.

'The Chords Which Linger'

The contribution of composers who died in the First World War By The Dean of Derry, The Very Rev Dr William Morton

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"Cathedral Liturgy' by the Very Revd Dermot Dunne (Dean of Christ Church)

29 NOVEMBER

RSCM Awards Service - Celebration

St Gall's, Carnalea, Bangor, BT19 1BT at 2:00 PM. Come and celebrate those who have successfully completed their RSCM Voice for Life awards during 2014. The awards ceremony will take place during Choral Evensong with the combined choirs of the award winners and local affiliate choirs. All are welcome to the service at 4pm. The event will be conducted by Rosemary Smyth (St Gall's). Please confirm if you are attending by calling +353 (0)87 117 2995 or email mbowyer@rscm.com

18 JANUARY 2015

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2015

The Well is Deep - This year's theme comes to us from the churches of Brazil who are now

living through a time of growing intolerance made manifest in high levels of violence, especially against minorities and the vulnerable.

The Brazilian churches have begun to recognise that intolerance should be dealt with in a positive way - respecting diversity and promoting dialogue as a permanent path of reconciliation and peace in fidelity to the gospel. We can share this recognition as although the competition between our churches is less obvious, we are well aware that competition and violent discrimination lie beneath the surface of our lives together.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from

18-25 January - the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Materials are available to download or to purchase in hard copy by clicking here http://www.ctbi.org.uk/682/>

24 JANUARY 2015

Consecration of Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe

The Service of Ordination and Consecration of the Revd Canon Kenneth Kearon as Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe will take place in Christ Church Cathedral Dublin at 2.30 p.m.

Voice for Life 'Taster' session

St Gall's Church, Carnalea, BT19 1BT at 2.00 pm. Come and see what's involved in setting up, running and preparing candidates for the Voice for Life examinations. This session will give a brief overview of the scheme, look at the available resources and will include practical advice from those currently running the scheme. There is no charge for this event, but please let us know that you are coming by completing the booking form available http://rscmireland.com/events/

5 MAY 2015

CTBI's Annual Conference

Will take place on Tuesday 5 - Wednesday 6 May 2015 at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hertfordshire.

23 JUNE 2015

"Cacophony or Conversation?"

The Bible and Inter Faith Dialogue" 23-25 June 2015

How should Christians use the Bible in inter-religious dialogue? How can the Bible help us to be more effective in dialogue? Does dialogue with people of other faiths lead us to read the Bible differently? This Conference aims to open up a rich conversation about the Bible in the context of religious pluralism. Organised by The Inter Faith Theological Advisory Group of CTBI

For more information and how to attend, please contact Natasha.richmond@ctbi.org.uk