

## CNI Forward Look – coming events in the Irish churches

#### 29 OCTOBER BBC Radio3 RSCM Youth Choral Evensong from Gloucester Cathedral

This Wednesday at 3.30 pm, The Royal School of Church Music Millennium Youth Choir, recorded in Gloucester Cathedral Introit: Holy is the true light (Harris) Responses: Kerensa Briggs Psalms 148, 150 (Stanford) First lesson: Isaiah 65.17-25 Canticles: Gloucester Service (Owain Park) Second lesson: Hebrews 11.32-12.2 Anthems: We love the place, O God (Sumsion) Justorum animae (Stanford) Hymn: For all the saints (Sine nomine) Organ Voluntary: Festivo (Ronald Corp) David Ogden (Director of Music) Daniel Moult (Organist).

#### **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: info@damasklisburn.org. 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</u> <u>Society Meeting (Nov. 2014)</u>

All members of the public are welcome to attend.

## **Churches asked to join in International Day of Prayer for Climate Justice**

Churches across Ireland are urged to join in an International Day of Prayer for Climate Justice on 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Christians throughout the world will be taking part in the a global prayer event and Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) hopes that churches in Ireland will participate by including prayers for the environment at all services during the weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Prayers for the environment may be found online at <u>http://www.ctbi.org.uk/</u> 678 and <u>http://www.prayandfastfortheclimate.org.uk/resources/</u>. ECI is a project of the Irish Inter-Church Meeting that encourages churches to adopt an eco-friendly approach to worship, lifestyles, property and finance management, children's and youth work, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

Members of Eco-Congregation Ireland will be leading prayers in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, at 12 noon on 1st November ... All welcome!

For further information, see <u>www.ecocongregationireland.com</u>.

#### 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 <u>here</u>. <u>http://rscmireland.com/events/</u>

#### **3 NOVEMBER**

#### St Columb's Cathedral series on 1st World War

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

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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

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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 <u>cpori@ireland.anglican.org</u>

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

## **Art Sale for St Philip's Dublin**

In Dublin on Thursday evening at 7.30pm an Art Sale, in support of St Philips's church, Milltown, will be opened in the parish hall on Temple Road and will continue until Sunday afternoon.

## 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 (<u>scottpeddie@sky.com</u>) at your earliest convenience.

7 NOVEMBER

#### An Evening of Remembrance in Music, Song and Story -St Finbarre's Cork

In memory of the Irish who died in the First World War - 8.00pm

Taking part will be - The Barrack Street Band, Niamh O'Sullivan (soprano), Pete Dufy (singer), Malcolm Wisener (organ), Members of the Youghal Pipe Band and Members of the Regina Mundi College Choir

Tickets: €10 in the Cathedral Shop, on the door on the night, and Russell's Book Store (Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork)

#### **Greater Love - New Irish Choir & Orchestra production**

The New Irish Choir & Orchestra (founded by Keith Getty – In Christ Alone) will be presenting 'Greater Love' at St Patrick's, Jordanstown, on Friday November 7.

This new production, recently created by New Irish Arts, follows the stories of Irish men and women whose lives were affected by the First World War. The production mixes stories with songs and will be a memorable, timely focus for this year's 100th anniversary commemorations.

Tickets will cost £12, and all profits from the event will go to support the Earl Haig fund. Tickets are available either by contacting the Rev Jonny Campbell-Smyth on 07808 479649 or by contacting St Patrick's Parish Office on 02890 869832.

#### **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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

#### 8 NOVEMBER

## Information Gathering in Cork About World War One

On Saturday 8th November 2014 from 10.00am-5pm, the Bishop of Cork and the Dean of Cork will be in the Cathedral all day to gather photos and information for inclusion in a memorial space for all Cork people who served in World War One.

We are looking for a photo, name, location, unit and where the person served in the Great War. Scanners will be available on site to scan your photos for inclusion in a slide show being installed in the memorial space beside the Heroes' Column.

## **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 <u>here. http://rscmireland.com/events/</u>

## 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 askwhatnow

#### 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: <u>hello@askwhatnow.org</u>. Website with Further Details: <u>http://</u> <u>askwhatnow.org</u>

# Worship, Welfare and War – St Matthew's, Irishtown, Remembers

The role of St Matthew's Parish and the local community in Irishtown during the troubled years of 1914 to 1918 will be examined at a special lecture in St Matthew's Church on Saturday November 8 at 2.30 pm.

Entitled 'WWW – Worship, Welfare and War', the lecture will be delivered by Patrick Hugh Lynch who has carried out extensive research into the circumstances of returning World War 1 ex–servicemen during the early days of the Irish Free State.

He will examine how Canon O'Hanlon, the Revd Carolan and George Reynolds gave the area well known names and places.

Patrick's research work provides an insight into the often complex and controversial story of the Irish men and women who left Ireland to join the Forces of the Crown during the Great War. His primary research is directed at what happened to those thousands of Irish men and women who came home. He has looked at the provision of welfare service for veterans, the history of the Royal British Legion in the Irish Republic.

## 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.

#### 9 NOVEMBER Cork Choral Requiem for Remembrance Sunday

St Finbarre's Cathedral, Cork, Sunday 9th November 2014 - 11.15am. The normal Choral Eucharist is celebrated as a Requiem for all who have died, more especially for those who have died in war and conflict across the world.

The choral setting is Gabriel Fauré's Requiem. Celebrant: Rt Revd Dr W P Colton, Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross.

## Choral Evensong and Annual Act of Remembrance at the Heroes' Column, Cork

St Finbarre's Cathedral - Sunday 9th November 2014 - 4.00pm. A special Choral Evensong for Remembrance Sunday including the wreath laying ceremony at the Heroes' Column, with special emphasis on the 100th anniversary of World War One.

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## **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 Knowing Jesus with CMJ Ireland

CMJ Ireland (Church's Ministry among the Jews) is holding an event in Killowen Parish Church on Wednesday November 12 at 7.30pm with Rev Aaron Eime, from Christ Church Jerusalem. The theme is 'Knowing Jesus'.

Rev Donard Collins, rector of Killowen Parish said: 'Aaron is an excellent communicator and is very much committed to the Gospel right in the heart of Jerusalem. By his ministry, he makes significant inroads in reaching both Palestinian and Israeli people for Christ.'

# 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 softlanding 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: <u>mail@acceptingsexuality.org</u>. Website with Further Details: <u>http://acceptingsexuality.org/wp/</u>

#### **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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Saturday, 15 November, 2014 (All day). Assembly Buildings, 2-10 Fisherwick Place, Belfast, BT1 6DW. Church or Organisation: Building Blocks Childrens' Ministry. Email: <u>belfast@buildingblocks.ie</u> Website with Further Details: <u>http://www.buildingblocks.ie/belfast.html</u>

#### **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 <u>here</u>. <u>http://rscmireland.com/events/</u>

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'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.

#### 20 NOVEMBER

#### **Presbyterian Chaplaincy in the First World War**

The Rev Dr Victor Dobbin, CB, MBE., former Chaplain General, will be the speaker at the Presbyterian Historical Society's meeting on Thursday 20 November 2014 in Malone Presbyterian Church, Belfast, at 8pm The theme is - Presbyterian Chaplaincy in the First World War

http://www.presbyterianhistoryireland.com/index.php?id=events1314

#### **22 NOVEMBER**

#### **Parenting Teenagers Workshop in CITI**

A one day workshop focusing on how parents, grandparents and guardians can support their teenagers takes place in the Church of Ireland Theological Institute, Braemor Park, Dublin 14, on Saturday November 22.

Entitled 'Parenting Well', the workshop will be facilitated by Love for Life, a leading Christian advice agency on teenager relationships and well being.

The workshop is part of the Faith in Everyday Living series. This is a new series of lay training opportunities being hosted by the Church of Ireland Theological Institute and Edgehill Theological College.

The series is designed to encourage theological reflection, fellowship and discussion on everyday discipleship matters.

The workshop will run from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm in CITI and the cost is €20 per person which includes lunch. Reservations must be made by Thursday November 20.

The booking form can be downloaded by clicking <u>here</u> and can be returned to <u>davidbrown@theologicalinstitute.ie</u>

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## "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.

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

#### 28 NOVEMBER

#### **Strabane Christmas Tree Festival**

28 November 2014 10:00 - 30 November 2014 18:00 . Nine Carols Christmas Tree Festival. Friday 28th: 10am - 7pm I Opening service: 8pm. Saturday 29th: 10am - 8pm. Sunday 30th: 2pm - 5.30pm I Closing service: 6pm. Camus Juxta Mourne, Christ Church. 23-47 Bowling Green, Strabane, Strabane BT82

## Heaven in ordinary - an evening with Church Missionary Society Ireland

IMPACT is CMS Ireland's Annual Celebration Event. It's an evening full of worship, sharing and inspiration celebrating stories of God at work, transforming lives. It's also a great way to begin the Advent Season and to be reminded of how God does extraordinary things through ordinary people and their ordinary acts of love and service.

This year's event, entitled Heaven in Ordinary includes: Worship led by Ian Hanna, Bible reflections by Rev Andrew Forster, Stories from CMSI's Global Partners and the staff team, Conversations over a cuppa (and treats). Belvoir Parish, Belfast at 7.30 pm on Friday November 28

#### **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 <<u>http://www.ctbi.org.uk/682/</u>>

#### 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 <u>here</u>. http:// rscmireland.com/events/

## **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

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