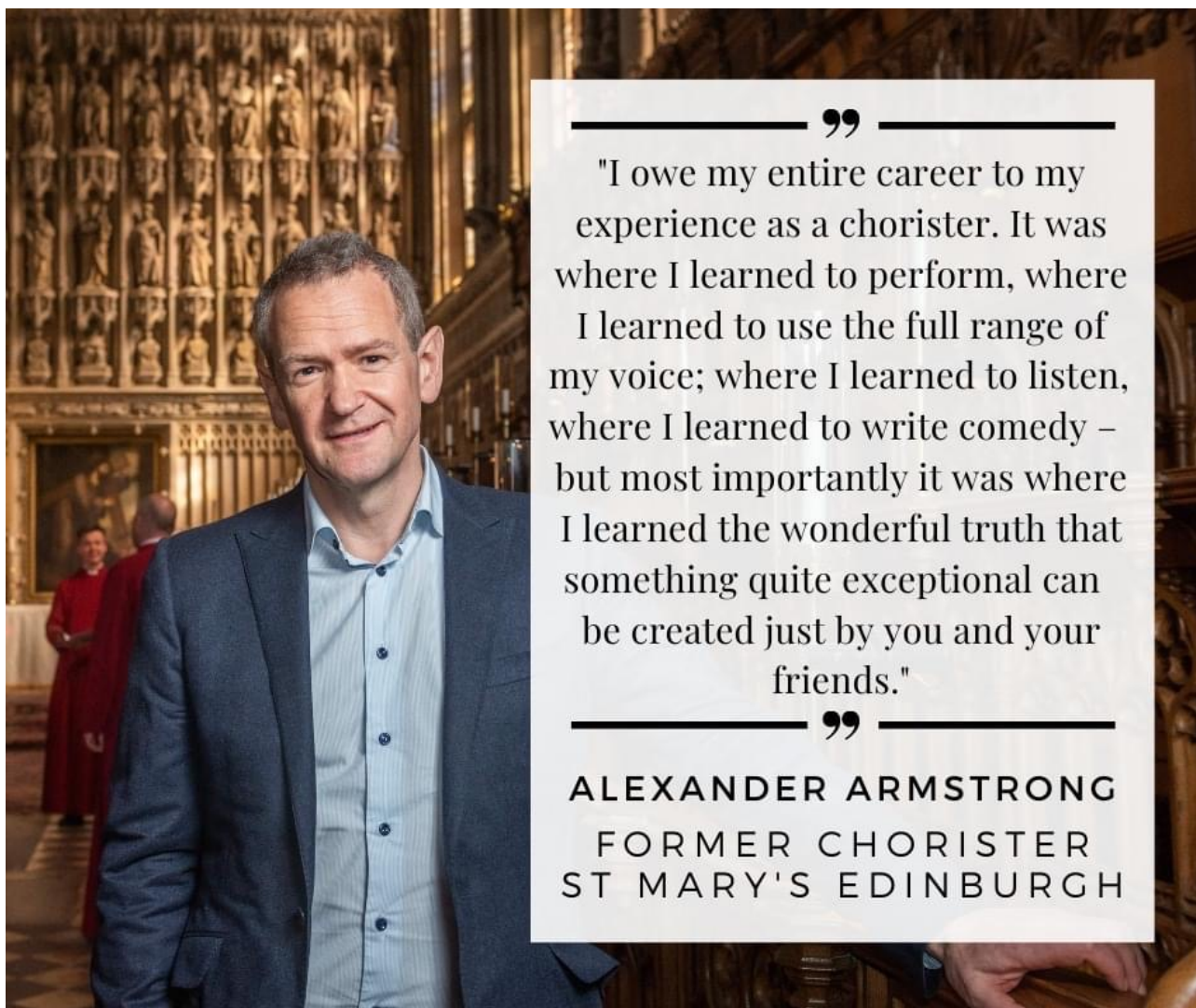


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**Image of the day – Choristers past and present**

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In today's CNI three choristers - past and present

## News reports



## 150th anniversary of the founding of St Lukes Charity & Home

**Today - Saint Luke's Day, 18th October - the Church of Ireland in Cork, Cloyne and Ross is celebrating the 150th anniversary of the founding of St Lukes Charity & Home Cork by Miss Frances Fitzgerald Gregg.**

Music, under the direction of Peter Stobart, will be provided by the combined choirs of Ashton School, Bandon Grammar School and Midleton College, Friends of Midleton College

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The Service is at 11 a.m. and all are welcome to come along..



**St. Mary's  
Children's Choir**  
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Tuesday  
4.00pm - 4.45pm  
St. Mary's Parish Centre

All Welcome  
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## Irish and Ukrainian children's choir forming in Howth

**Ms. Yulia Kostomarova has taken up the post of Trainee Organist at St. Mary's church, Howth.**

Yulia is an accomplished musician and until her move to Ireland, owned and ran a successful Music School in Kiev. Recently she has been involved in the Frank MacNamara concerts.

Yulia is setting up a children's choir for the children of the parish and beyond. It is an international choir of both Irish and Ukrainian. Rev'd Philip is also involved and the choir will participate at one service a month and the occasional concert. All school going children are welcome. The first

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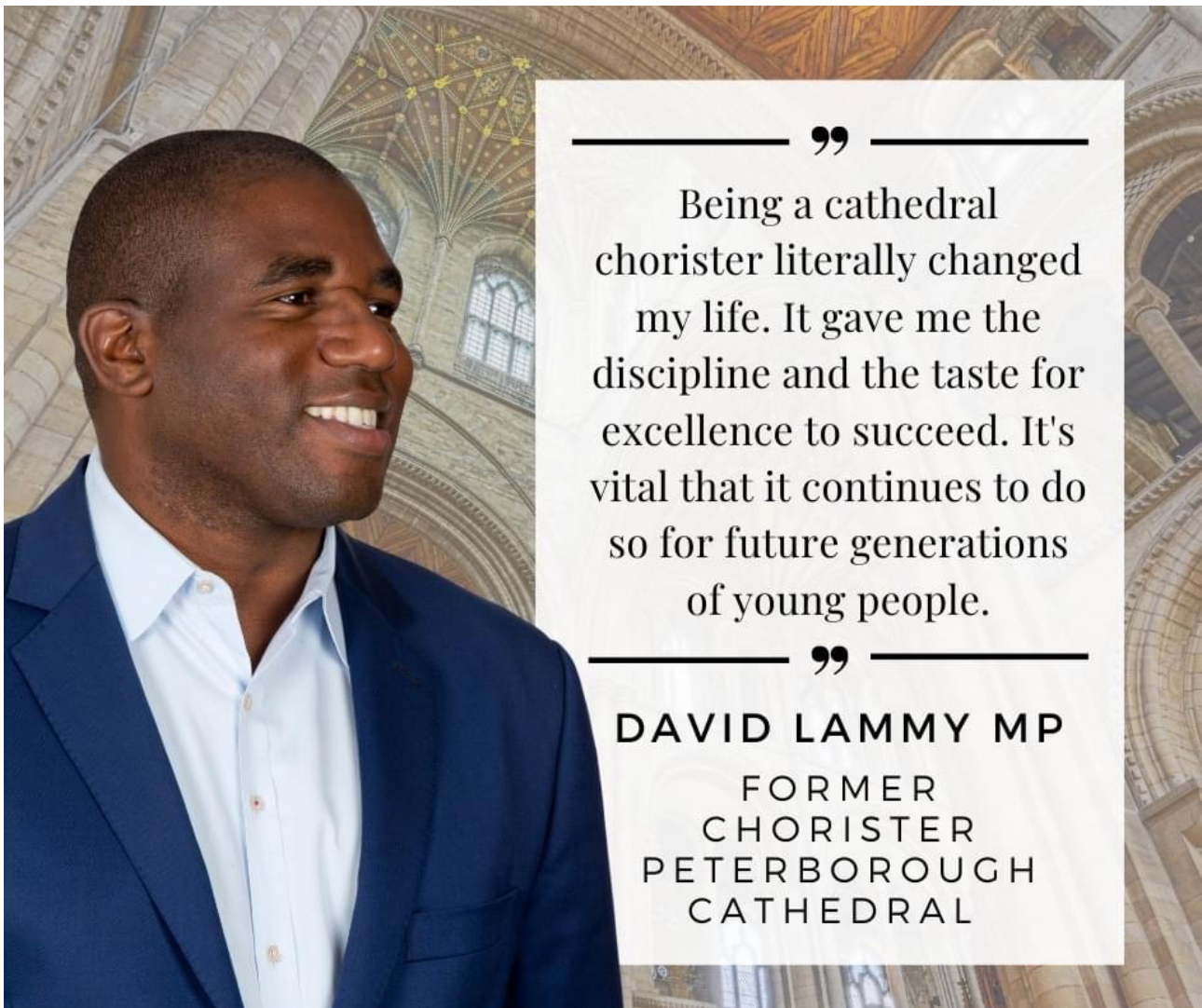
Rehearsal is on Tuesday 18th October at 4.00pm at the parish centre. For more details please contact Rev'd Philip.



## Armchair Christmas Quiz for Bishops Appeal

**Every Christmas for more than 28 years, the Rev Denis Sandes and his wife Lesley have circulated a fundraising armchair Christmas Quiz.**

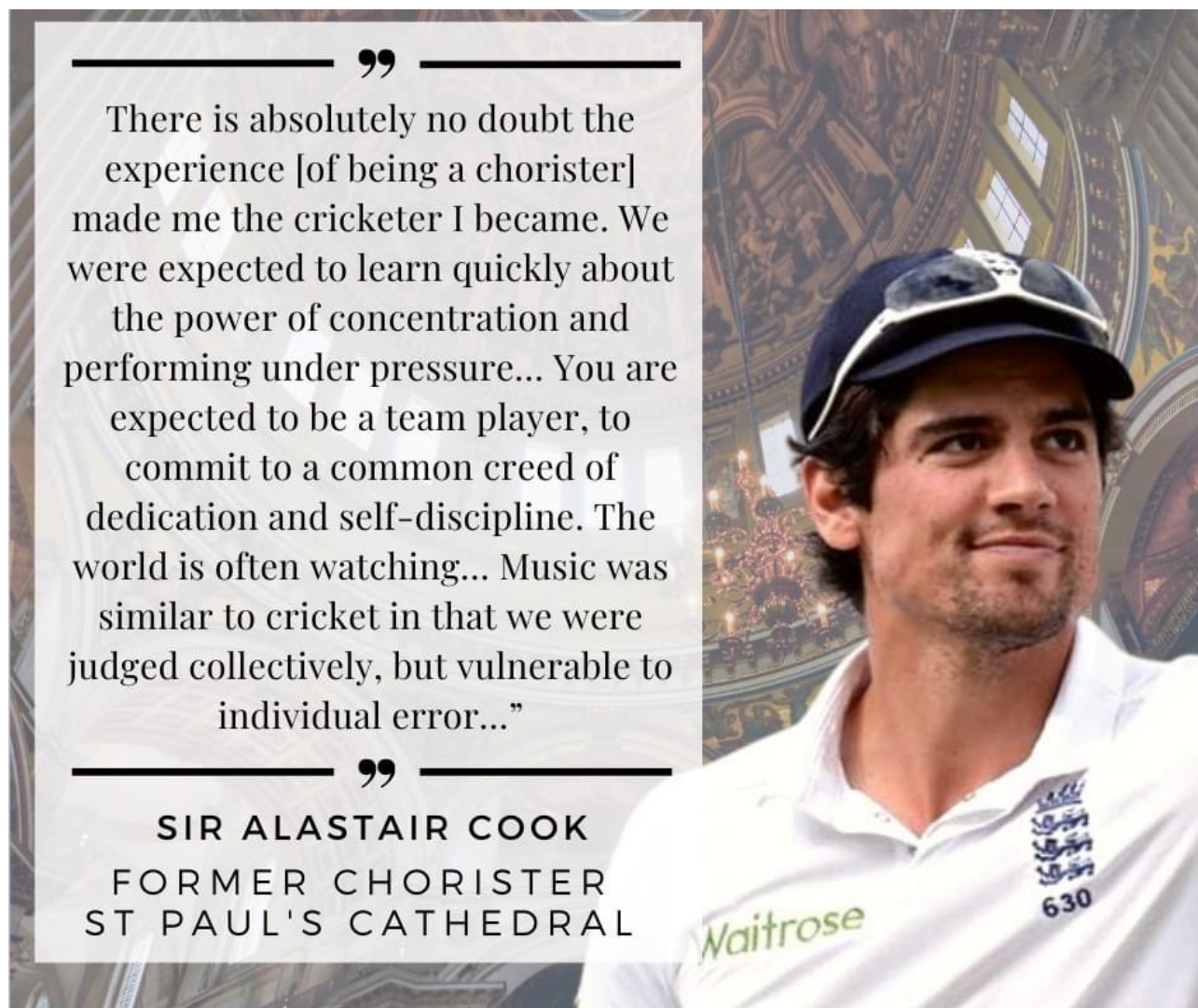
In recent years, their quiz raises around €2,000 a year for the Church of Ireland Bishop's Appeal, and Denis is hoping that this year's quiz will be no exception.



The couple designed their first Christmas Quiz to raise funds for the refurbishment of the organ in Kells and Inistioge Group of Parishes in the Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory.

“It was my wife’s idea to make up a quiz and send it out with our Christmas cards,” Denis, 76, said. “Our parishioners also sent them out and we raised €600. “The following year we thought we could do another one to raise funds for charities and decided to look outside our own country and local needs, so we selected Bishops’ Appeal.

“Each year we highlight specific areas that will be supported by funds raised from the quiz – if it is something that has



been on the news recently, then it tends to get more entries.” This year, funds raised by the quiz will support the work of Christian Aid, through Bishops’ Appeal, in providing emergency and long-term aid wherever it is need around the world.

After he retired from Clifden Parish, Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry, in 2013, Denis engaged the help of diocesan magazine and website editors across the island to help him get the quiz out to the public

Since then, Denis said, he and Lesley have had great support from all over the island and have even had replies from as far away as Australia and Canada.

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For anyone entering the quiz, Denis suggests a minimum entry fee of €2, but reveals people often send a bit more. “Many people look forward to it and enjoy filling it in. We get a lot of nice comments,” he said.

There is, of course, a prize (first place gets €30) and there are even rewards for also-rans. This year’s quiz is on the theme ‘Found at Sea,’ and you can download your quiz sheet at -

[\[https://connor.anglican.org/2022/10/13/armchair-quiz-in-support-of-bishops-appeal/\]](https://connor.anglican.org/2022/10/13/armchair-quiz-in-support-of-bishops-appeal/)

Closing date for entries is February 4 2023.

## **Archbishop criticises Truss’s trickle-down economics**

**The Archbishop of Canterbury has taken aim at Liz Truss, warning that he is “deeply sceptical” about trickle-down economics.**

The Archbishop of Canterbury does not believe trickle-down economics is the best way to help the poor

On a tour of Australia, the Most Rev Justin Welby said that if rich people have money they are more likely to save it than spend it.

He argued a better way to generate spending in the economy would be to put more money into the pockets of those who need to buy food.

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He said that “in the UK, the priority is the cost of living, with the poorest. And from an economics point of view, I’m deeply sceptical about trickle-down theory”.



The archbishop added:

“You know, if you cut money for the rich, ever since Keynes wrote his general theory in 1936, whenever it was, he showed very clearly that the rich save if they’ve got enough to live on.

“So if you want to generate spending in the economy, you put more money into the hands of those who need the money to buy food, to buy goods, to buy basic necessities.”



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He is the latest public figure to speak out against the theory that suggests that the best way to help the poor is to help those richer, because when richer people are better off they spend and invest in ways that boost economic activity, creating jobs for the poor.

It is not the first time the archbishop has spoken out against trickle-down economics.

At Southwark Cathedral in 2020, the archbishop said Jesus Christ “commands a bias to the poor, not the trickle-down theory of economics”.

And in 2017, he said rich people should pay more taxes because people tend to “hold on” to what they have got.

He said at the time that we need a system that “spreads the goods of wealth more evenly across society”.

## **New post of Bishop for Episcopal Ministry in the Anglican Communion**

**A new post of Bishop for Episcopal Ministry in the Anglican Communion has been created to build on the success of this year’s Lambeth Conference.**

The Right Revd Dr Jo Bailey Wells, currently Bishop of Dorking in the Church of England’s Diocese of Guildford, has been appointed to the post and will begin her new role in January 2023.

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IN OVER 165 COUNTRIES



The new post was agreed by the Anglican Communion’s Standing Committee when it met in London last week. The post is designed to “foster a collaborative, engaged, enriched fellowship among the bishops of the Anglican Communion, inspiring ever greater companionship, learning and interchange between provinces,” the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion, the Right Revd Anthony Poggo, said.

“This will build on the outcomes of Lambeth ’22, taking forward the Lambeth Conference Calls as well as the renewed relationships between bishops across varying provinces,” he added. “It will also help to equip bishops for ministry, supporting them not only in their particular contexts but also for engaging in the wider Communion.

“I am delighted that Bishop Jo will be joining us at the Anglican Communion Office, as we take forward the outcomes of the 2022 Lambeth Conference.”

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, said: “This year’s Lambeth Conference has been remarkable in renewing friendships, relationships and

connections across the Anglican Communion. The appointment of Bishop Jo Bailey Wells to this new post of Bishop for Episcopal Ministry in the Anglican Communion will take advantage of the renewed determination of bishops to unite in living out our call – in our many cultures – to be God’s Church for God’s World.

Bishop Jo Bailey Wells said: “Having first encountered the diversity and dynamism of the Anglican Communion as my vocation emerged in the Church of Uganda in the 1980s, I am awed by the sense of God’s invitation to this newly created role.

“I am full of joy to be working with Secretary General Bishop Anthony, having first met one another in South Sudan many years ago. I greatly look forward to journeying with bishop colleagues across the Communion as we work out how we witness together through the Calls, enhancing the friendships and fellowship forged at the recent Lambeth Conference.”

Bishop Jo Bailey Wells will leave her current post as Bishop of Dorking in the Diocese of Guildford to take up this new role. The Bishop of Guildford, the Right Revd Andrew Watson, said: “Bishop Jo has been an outstanding Bishop of Dorking, bringing a freshness and energy to the role, not least from her extensive experience of the worldwide Church. This has really put our own issues in perspective, and helped us not to take ourselves too seriously (a favourite theme).

“Her teaching and preaching gifts have brought real joy to the diocese, as have her wisdom and discernment and her

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passion for our church schools. She's been a delightful colleague, and will be very much missed as she takes on this exciting new role. The Anglican Communion is blessed indeed!"

## **Death of Rev Trevor Kelly of Connor**

**It is with great sadness we record the death of the Rev Trevor Kelly, curate in the Parishes of Drummaul, Duneane and Ballyscullion.**



Trevor, 55, took ill on Tuesday October 11, and died on Saturday evening, October 15, in the ICU of Antrim Area Hospital.

He is survived by his son Andrew, daughter Rebecca, daughter-in-law Laura, his mother Betty, brother Glenn and

sister Lynne, to whom sincere sympathy is extended. He was predeceased by his wife Aurelia (née Martin) last year. The Bishop of Connor, the Rt Rev George Davison, said: “I’m devastated at the news of the death of the Rev Trevor Kelly and want to assure Andrew, Rebecca and the whole Kelly and Martin family circles of my prayerful sympathy at this very sad time for them.

“Trevor was the epitome of a Christian pastor, a man of sincere faith with a gentle soul and genuine care for people. His warmth and friendship were appreciated by all who knew him, in the church and in his ‘daytime’ job as a teacher in Hazelwood Integrated College.

“Whilst we are all struggling to take in the fact that Trevor’s death comes less than a year since his beloved wife Aurelia died in a tragic motor accident, I’m praying that each of us will find comfort in the knowledge that they have gone ahead of us into God’s new kingdom, where tears and sorrow are banished and all things are made new in Christ.”

## In the media

### **Fermanagh clergyman is in the heart of Creeslough devastation - The Impartial Reporter**

**A Church of Ireland clergyman originally from Fermanagh but now based close to Creeslough where 10 people were tragically killed in an explosion last Friday has spoken of the impact and aftermath of the**

**incident as well as the efforts of those involved in the rescue and recovery of people from the shop, Ciaran Flaherty writes in The Impartial Reporter.**

The small Donegal village was thrown into tragedy following the explosion at a shop which claimed the lives of 10 people, including a five-year-old girl.

**Reverend David Skuce the Rector of the Dunfanaghy Group of Parishes in north Donegal** said there was “a fantastic response from the locals, from the county, nationally and cross Border”.

Describing the explosion as something emergency services would not have dealt with before, Rev. Skuce expressed the sympathy of the Church of Ireland community to the Roman Catholic community: “Church Of Ireland and Roman Catholic [Church], they have been very, very appreciative of what has been done especially the two bishops and also the Parish Priest John Joe Duffy has done a fantastic job.”

“Whenever it initially happened people were putting their own lives at risk to rescue the lives of others.”

Having attended the funerals of the deceased in recent days, Reverend Skuce said the explosion has ripped into the heart of the community who are still coming to terms with what happened: “It was the heart of the community. It has really impacted the local community.

“Most of the people who died came from within the village.”

And with more funerals for the deceased to take place over the coming days, Creeslough will then have to look at life after the tragic event.

“It’s like any devastation, the whole world is there. The press, the media all recording what’s going on and then next week they are off to the next story and the people will have to pick up the pieces and move on and hope as best they can with the bereavements.”

Locally people have also shown their support for the people of Creeslough. Last weekend all championship games hosted by Fermanagh GAA held a minute’s silence while Ballinamallard United also held a minute’s silence before their league game against Annagh United.

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council has opened an online book of condolence in memory of those who tragically lost their lives in Creeslough, Co Donegal last Friday. The Chair of Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, Councillor Barry McElduff, said: “On behalf of the Council, and on my own behalf, I extend my deepest sympathies to the families and friends of those who tragically lost their lives in Creeslough on Friday, October 7, 2022.”

The online book on condolence is available on the Council’s website ([www.fermanaghomagh.com](http://www.fermanaghomagh.com)) from Tuesday, October 11 until 5pm on Friday, October 21.

Just across the Border in Blacklion on Monday evening, people gathered from both sides of the border to pay their respects at a vigil. 10 candles were lit, and the names of the deceased were read out before a minute’s silence was held.

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**Blacklion native and the President of the Methodist Church of Ireland, Reverend David Nixon** also expressed his sympathy to the village of Creeslough which was plunged into great sorrow and anguish: “On behalf of the Methodist family across Ireland and especially in parts of Donegal, I offer sincere and heartfelt sympathy for all those who have been affected by this tragedy.

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*Courtesy of The Impartial Reporter, Enniskillen*

## Poem for today

### Autumn, the Nightwalk, the City, the River by David Wheatley

How early the autumn seemed to have come that year,  
the drizzles like moods, the tightness in the air.  
Walking was different: nervous, brisker now



under the streetlights' tangerine conic glow;  
needing gloves and scarves. I had both,  
And a raincoat pulled up tight around my mouth.  
Direction never mattered on those streets.  
Once I walked all night and called it quits  
somewhere miles from home, then caught the first  
bus back. What mattered was being lost.  
Anywhere would do: I remember suburbs  
plush with hatchbacks parked on tidy kerbs,  
Privets, cherry blossoms, nouveaux riches'  
houses named for saints, complete with cable dishes;  
and then the streets where every window was  
an iron grid across its pane of glass,  
the garden weeds in cracks, a noise ahead –  
a bird, a cat – enough to make me cross the road.  
Any light was harsh: all-night Spars  
and the lit façades of Georgian squares  
I'd hurry past; headlights glared like search-  
beams in their hurtling, quizzical approach.  
But landmarks were always a magnet. I'd be out  
for hours – in sight of open fields – and spot  
a pub or spire I knew, then find myself  
being led by it, with inarticulate relief,  
back in. Home was defeat but consolation too,  
reassurance there was nowhere else to go.  
The clubs all shut, town was deserted all over:  
the only living thing would be the river;  
and one night following it, I got a sense  
of how, if anything did, it left the dead-ends  
of the place behind as, sleek as a dream,  
past barracks, churches, courts, the lot, it swam,  
the lights that danced on its surface so many jack-  
o'-lanterns promising no going back,

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for it at least if not for me. I followed it all the way to the quay-end steps and sat as long as I thought it would take to reach the last buoy and from there, dry land forgotten, the open sea.

## Speaking to the soul

Short reading and a prayer - daily on this site

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