

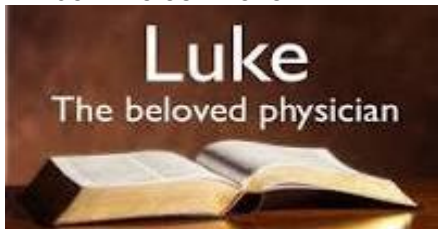
St Canice's News

20th October 2024



St Luke

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



Today the church celebrates Luke who was both a doctor and the author of the gospel known by his name. It's full of stories of God's healing power. But does God really heal today? And if he does, how can we tap into his healing power?

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ." 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

NEXT SUNDAY - 27th OCTOBER

10am: JAM children's activity in the mobile

11am: Holy Communion

HEALING SERVICE

"Hear us, Lord of life, heal us, and make us whole."

This afternoon at 3.00 pm, Rev Paul Lyons, Rector of Macosquin, who chairs our Diocesan Healing Ministry group, and a team of people will lead a Healing Service here in St Canice's. Rev Carmen Hayes will share some stories of God's healing power. Please invite anyone who might be interested.

SPARK

Our SPARK youth club meets tonight from 6:30pm in Faughanvale Presbyterian Church Hall.



YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

The Exodus team will be involved in our Sunday night SPARK and FUEL events for teenagers, but we still need volunteers, not to do anything other than simply be there. If you could offer to help, probably just once every few months, please sign the sheet.

ROYAL BITS AND PIECES

Thanks to Rev Derek Kerr for a wonderful night's entertainment in the Orange Hall, regaling us with lots of stories, and giving us a lot of laughs. Thanks to all who supported this evening, and to those who helped with the supper. £420 was raised for our building fund.

READINGS' ROTA

Davy Johnston is organising the rota of 20 people who have volunteered to read lessons in church. If your name is on the list, you can anticipate being contacted by Davy. There's still time to add your name - just let the Rector know.

ORGAN MARATHON - 26th OCTOBER



This Saturday 26th Oct from 9am to 9pm, Canon Paul will attempt a 12-hour organ & keyboard marathon in the church. He

would love every parishioner to spare even five minutes to come along and encourage him, and invite others to drop in to enjoy the music! He's already guaranteed £1,000 in sponsorship, and hopes that others will support him in his fundraising effort. Please take a sponsorship form and ask family and friends to sponsor the event. You can request a favourite hymn or song, or a recording of a unique piece of music composed by the Rector himself.. Refreshments and home baking. The final hour will be a favourite hymns' sing-along.

CONCERT BY CANDLELIGHT

This promises to be a world class concert. On Tuesday 12th November at 7:30pm Benito Rodriguez, Laura Sheerin, Cheryl and Gwyneth Cello Duo, and our very own Canon Paul, will offer a great mix of musical genres, sure to suit everyone's taste. When we ran a similar concert back in 2018, it was one of the most popular concerts ever. Tickets and flyers available today.

THE CANICE CENTRE

Hopefully, you have seen the Centre taking shape - we're making very good progress. If you haven't, please walk across after church and have a look. We plan to launch our Buy a Brick initiative at the end of October, and this will include sending a leaflet to every home in the village, Greysteel, Strathfoyle, and Maydown.

CINEMA CLUB

We haven't forgotten about our cinema club! Unfortunately in the run up to Halloween, there is an abundance of scary movies. Watch this space - we'll find a suitable one for us soon.

PRAYER CHAIN

For confidential prayer for anyone (including yourself), please call/text Ann 07547202649.

SEEDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Are you a budding artist or writer?

SEEDS Children's Ministry is running two very exciting competitions for the Christmas edition of n:vision. If you are aged 4 to 11, there's the opportunity to design the cover of the magazine. If you are aged 12 to 16, we are asking you to write a 500-word article which could be included in the Christmas edition. Email entries to Kirsty@derryandraphoe.org by 28th October.



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The Collect and Readings

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: By the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Job 38: 1-7

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: 'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man; I will question you, and you shall declare to me. 'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together, and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? 'Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, "Here we are"? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind?'

Luke 18: 35-42

As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." He called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Lord, I want to see," he replied. Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.

Waterside. This year's theme is "Faithful," and it's an opportunity to explore different people throughout the Bible, and their stories. All of secondary school age are welcome.

HALLOWEEN BIBLE STUDY

Our Lay Reader-in-training, Bobby Keys, is leading a Bible study relating to the practice of Halloween tomorrow at 11am at All Saints' Centre. All are welcome.

OCCASIONS

Happy 30th birthday yesterday to Chris McElreavey. Please let the Rector know of special occasions.

RECTOR

Canon Paul plans to be off on Thursday this week.

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