

life at Holy Trinity if we truly applied these verses to how we lived. Imagine the difference in this community if we lived in total commitment to God. Imagine the difference in our daily walk with God if He truly was the love of our lives and the topic of our conversations. This will require commitment and persistence if we are to apply these instructions to our lives.

It will be a constant battle to love God with all our heart, strength and soul. It will require a change in how we think and how we live. Are you willing to make those changes? Do you want our children to grow up in the knowledge of God? If we do then we must begin with ourselves and that means whole-hearted commitment to Christ as individuals and as a church community.

May God give us the strength to keep this commitment and bless us as we do. Yours in Christ. **Rev. Alan McCann**

VISITING REQUEST FORMS

You will find visiting request forms in the entrance to church. If you wish for me to visit your home please fill in the details and hand the form to me or place it on the offertory plate.

Thank you *Rev. Alan McCann*

VESTRY HOUR

Rev. Alan McCann will be at Holy Trinity every Wednesday between 6.30pm and 7.30pm to discuss weddings, baptisms etc. and any Christian related topic that is troubling you

A TIME OF PRAYER

On Wednesday Sept. 2nd from 7.30pm we have the opportunity to come together as a congregation to spend time in prayer. A chance to pray for the work being carried out in Holy Trinity and by Holy Trinity within the local community. Please come along anytime between 7.30pm and 8.30pm. There will be no bible study groups on this evening.

BIBLE STUDY

We all need to study Gods Word and here are two opportunities to help fulfil His wishes:

Parish Bible Study is led by Rev. Alan McCann and is held in the computer suite every Wednesday from 7.30pm. Here you will be able to read, study and discuss passages from the bible and receive answers to any questions.

Inductive Bible Study is led by Jack Blair and is held in the Henly Room every Wednesday from 7.30pm. This year will begin with the study of the 3 letters of John.

All members of the congregation are welcome.

MENS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

is for all men of the congregation. We meet once a month to study God's Word in informal and relaxed surroundings. Our next meeting is on Monday Sept. 14th at 7.30pm at the home of Kel McDermott, so please accept this as your personal invitation to join us.

Please speak to me for further details. God Bless.

Maurice Langley

THE POWER OF PRAYER



ARE YOU, in need? troubled? lonely? anxious? angry? resentful? worried? feeling sinful? spiritually, physically or emotionally unwell?

GOD WANTS TO HELP!

There will be two members of the Prayer Team available in the Prayer Room after the service every Sunday. Please accept our warm invitation to come for prayer for yourself or someone you know. All prayers are strictly between you, us and God and will not be discussed outside of the Prayer Room. There will be a notice on the Prayer Room door indicating when the room is free.

There will no longer be open prayer nights on the first Thursday of the month but prayer will be offered every Sunday after the service.

In addition to this the Prayer Team meet most Thursdays in the Prayer Room at 7.30pm should you need to call in for prayer. (see notice board for details.)

Please also make use of the prayer request forms, which can be found on the left hand side as you enter church. Simply complete the form and place it in the prayer box. The requests will be lifted before God when the Prayer Team meets on Thursdays. God Bless.

The Prayer Team: Nicky Quigg, Joan Harvey, Johanne Moore, Fiona Moody, Linda Horner, Libby Todd, Stuart Purvis, Alison Allen, Vera Saunderson

YOUTH CLUB will open its doors once again on Friday Sept. 11th at 7.30pm. Some of the activities we have to offer include: football, pool, disco, Xbox, Nintendo Wii, tuck shop, games room – to name a few. So, if you are P5 and above we would love to see you there. There will be a meeting for all leaders on Friday Sept 4th at 7.30pm at Holy Trinity. As we begin a new season can I appeal to anyone who feels they would like to become a leader to speak to any youth club leader. Your help will be much appreciated.

God Bless. **Bert Macartney**

BOWLS FELLOWSHIP will re-commence on Thursday Sept. 3rd at 7.45pm. A warm welcome awaits those who wish to join us and bowl alongside our existing members. The age limit is 18 years of age for individual members but secondary school children can attend provided they are accompanied by a parent or grandparent. We will be holding a short AGM at our first meeting before completing the evening doing the thing we enjoy best...bowls. We offer tuition to anyone who has never played before and we have spare bowls available. So, may we encourage everyone who would like to try it to come along and give it a go, in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. God Bless. **Jack Blair**.

JUVENILE BADMINTON CLUB will re-commence on Saturday Sept. 12th at 1.30pm. It is open to young people from P6 upwards and weekly dues are £1 with 50p going towards the building fund. New and old members welcome. Coaching is provided and last season we were able to enter teams in the Ulster U15 and U17 leagues. God Bless. **Graeme Hunter**

Services –

Sunday 6th 10.30am
First reader:
Second reader:
Prayer leader:

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Morning Prayer
James Beattie
Colin McIlwaine
Maurice Langley

Sunday 13th 10.30am
First reader:
Second reader:
Prayer leader:

Holy Communion
Robert Boggs
Rev. Alan McCann
Lindy Reid

Sunday 20th 10.30am
First reader:
Second reader:
Prayer leader:
6pm.

Morning Prayer
Lorraine Ross
Rachael Love
Libby Todd
Ask Any Questions!!

Sunday 27th . . 10.30am

Family Service

HOLY TRINITY WOODBURN VISION COMMITMENT

I will strive to:

Pray daily for Holy Trinity
Worship weekly at Holy Trinity
Read and study The Bible regularly
Serve at and beyond Holy Trinity

Be in a relationship to encourage spiritual growth
Give sacrificially of my time, talents and resources
Amen.

POINTS FOR PRAYER

Please pray that sufficient people have come forward to allow our organisations to function safely.
Please pray for our congregation that we can unite as one family and further glorify Gods Holy Name in Carrickfergus.
Many members of our congregation and friends have recently been through illness, please pray for their recovery.
Please remember in your prayers the Voices of Life Choir who hope to be visiting us, and many venues in Ireland, over the next few weeks. Please pray that their GB/Ireland entrance visas arrive in time.
Please also pray for our own Carol and David who hope to be travelling with them.

POINTS FOR PRAISE

Give thanks to God for blessing us with Jack, who led our worship during Alan's holiday.
Give thanks to God for the refreshing break for our ministry leaders and organisation leaders.
Give thanks for those who organised and helped at the Dance and Football Academies.
Give thanks for the recovery of those who have been ill.
Give thanks to God for His blessings today.

DATES TO REMEMBER DURING SEPTEMBER

(other than our regular weekly activities)

Tuesday 1st GB re-commences from 6pm.

Wednesday 2nd No bible study groups. Evening of prayer for all of the congregation. Call in anytime between 7.30 – 8.30pm

Thursday 3rd Men's Fellowship, 7pm.

Thursday 3rd Bowls Fellowship re-commences 7.45pm

Friday 4th Youth Club leaders meeting 7.30pm at Holy Trinity

Saturday 5th Concert – Fields of Life/Voices of Life Choir.

Monday 7th Young at Heart 11.30am

Friday 11th Youth Club re-opens at 7.30pm

Saturday 12th Juvenile Badminton re-commences at 1.30pm

Monday 14th Men's Bible Fellowship 7.30pm

Monday 14th BB re-commences from 6pm.

Thursday 17th Face to Face, 8pm.

Thursday 24th Select Vestry, 8pm.

Mon 21st – Sat 26th Purchase non-perishable foodstuffs, personal hygiene and household products to leave at church on Sunday 27th for distribution in Carrick by Social Services

FACE TO FACE is for all ladies of the congregation. Our new season commences on Thursday Sept. 17th at 8pm with a Temple Spa Evening. Come along to learn how to pamper yourself using the Temple Spa range of products. You get to try out the products and if you like them you have the opportunity to place an order, but there is no obligation to buy. The evening will be hosted by Victoria Gordon. It's a great social evening and a great way to get to know other women of the church. For those who attend regularly why not ask one person who doesn't normally come and encourage them to join in with the fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Face to Face Committee

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Isn't it a joy to see flowers in our Sanctuary every Sunday? They play an important part of our Sunday Worship here at Holy Trinity. It is thanks to the dedication and the talents of Hazel Blair and Sandra Montgomery that they are there for us all to enjoy each week. If you wish, you can have the flowers dedicated to the memory of a lost loved one simply by making a contribution to the fund. Please speak to Hazel or Sandra

BOYS BRIGADE will re-commence on Monday Sept. 14th.

Anchor Boys – P1 to P4 at 6pm: Juniors - P5 to P7 at 7pm: Company Section and Seniors at 7pm. We look forward to seeing you all return, along with new members. God Bless.

Drew Buchanan MBE – Captain.

GIRLS BRIGADE will re-commence on Tuesday Sept 1st. Ladybirds and Explorers from 6pm to 7.15pm: Juniors, Seniors and Brigaders from 7.15pm to 9.30pm. God Bless.

Irenè Moffett MBE – Captain

FUND RAISING / SOCIAL EVENTS

At the start of a new session we would like to thank everyone who has supported our events so far this year. Our programme continues as follows:

Sat. Oct. 3rd there will be an evening concert by Ballyduff Silver Band and local school choirs. Tickets at £5, inc. light supper, on sale soon.

Sat. Nov. 7th at 11am will be our winter sale.

Full details will appear nearer the time.

The Fund Raising Committee

THANKS to everyone who organised, helped and attended the Dance and Football academies. Both were deemed as very successful and let's pray that some seeds have been sown in young people's hearts.

CRECHE ROTA -

Sunday 6th Nicola Miller Ann Robinson
Katrin Rhys Adrienne Tasker
Sunday 13th Anne Boggs Joan Cummings
Helen Fittis Jennifer Gibb
Sunday 20th... Fiona Moody Anne Langley
Joan Harvey Arlene Macartney

Sunday 27th **No crèche, but room will be open as needed**

Please swap with someone else on the rota if you are unable to cover your day. Thanks to everyone who helps. **To maintain this important part of our Sunday Worship we need more volunteers If you can help please speak to me or phone me on 93360463 or 07814745181**

Thanks *Fiona Moody*

PILATES - at Holy Trinity re-commences on **Thurs. Sept 3rd**.

Good for your back and your tummy!! Thursdays 10.00-11.00am please contact Avril on 93355129or: e-mail avril.waller@talktalk.net

ROSEMARY CONLEY DIET & FITNESS CLUB-at Holy Trinity re-commences **Tues. Sept. 1st**. and includes a weigh in, motivational talk and 45 minutes of exercise. Tuesdays 10.00-11.30am.

Please contact Avril on 93355129 , or e-mail avrilwaller@talktalk.net

MENS FELLOWSHIP is for all men of the congregation. We meet on the 1st Thursday of every month with our next meeting on Sept. 3rd when we will be visiting the Scout Centre at Crawfordsburn to enjoy loads of 'big boys' activities. We will be leaving Holy Trinity at 7pm.

God Bless. *Vic Wootton*

YOUNG AT HEART is for all ladies over the age of 55 years and meets on the first Monday of every month at 11.30am for chat, tea, and craic. New members most welcome. God Bless, *Ann and Eva.*

POTTERS HOUSE will re-commence on Sunday Sept. 6th when parents will be asked to register their child for Potters House and J/Club so as to comply with Safeguarding Trust requirements. Please also state on the registration any dietary, medical or social needs that may be required to help us to teach God's Word.

Potters House and J/Club meet during the morning service in the following rooms: Nursery to P2 - Courtney Hall; P3 & P4 - Kerr Room; P5 & P6 - Bennett Room and P7 – Computer Suite.

We at Potters House and J/Club are committed to teaching God's Word and love. We do this in a fun and active way. Your child will bring home sheets/creations complete with reference to the bible.

Please make time to look at these with your child and talk about what they have been doing. We are all really looking forward to a new year in Potters house and J/Club, with so many opportunities to have fun and fellowship. God Bless.

Vicky Watson-Superintendent.

BUCHANAN TRUST provides grants of no more than £100 to Holy Trinity's young people, in the age range of 11 -25 years, who are undertaking training or similar projects in Christian Youth Work.

Application forms can be obtained from Janis Gibson or can be downloaded from the church website. For more information please speak to Janis, or Jack Blair. The decision of the Trustees will be final.

MEN at Holy Trinity, please make use of the men's chat forum at www.holytrinitymen.proboards.com where we discuss any topic relevant to men in Holy Trinity in 2009. Simply go to the website, sign in and join in. If you experience any difficulties signing in, contact Sam Skelly on www.sam.skelly@virgin.net

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ADDRESS FROM THE REVEREND

Reading: Deuteronomy chapter 6 verses 4 - 9
Dear Friends,

Please take a moment to read the above verses. These verses were taught to Hebrew children and they formed a guideline for parents (and leaders) in instructing children in the faith. They are powerful words and they contain a powerful challenge. They teach that there is one true and living God and that He is to be worshipped alone. There is a challenge to love and commit our lives to Him. Look at the challenge of how we are to love God. There is no shallowness in these words. There is no half-hearted commitment to God asked. Here is total commitment, and not just for the individual but a promise to pass on such whole-hearted faithfulness to God to the children. Every aspect of life, personal, family and communal, was to be saturated by love for God. God was to be involved in every part of daily life. Now, let me ask you some very serious questions: Can you say that these verses describe your relationship with God? Do you instruct your children in the things of God? Would we say that this is what happens at Holy Trinity? I pray that we would want to say 'yes' to these verses. So, here is the challenge as we begin a new term of work at Holy Trinity: Let us make Deuteronomy ch 6 verses 4 – 9 the standard for this term.

In each of our lives, in our homes, in our organisations and in our Sunday services may these verses be our guidelines and the standard of measurement. Imagine the difference to our lives, to our family life and to the