



## DONAGHADEE PARISH CHURCH

29th October 2017

Fifth Sunday before Advent

### To-day's services:

8.30am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Worship &  
Sunday School  
7.00pm Remembering our  
Loved Ones

8.30am

**Holy Communion**  
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**Epistle:** 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

**Gospel:** Matthew 22: 34-46

### Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Help us to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

7.00pm

**ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS TIDE**

**A Service of Reflection**

**Remembering our Loved Ones**

**(Separate service sheet)**

### The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

1 You know, brothers, that our visit to you was not a failure. 2 We had previously suffered and been insulted in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in spite of strong opposition. 3 For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. 4 On the contrary, we speak as men approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts. 5 You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed – God is our witness. 6 We were not looking for praise from men, not from you or anyone else.

As apostles of Christ we could have been a burden to you. 7 but we were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children, 8 We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.



### The Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-46

34 Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. 35 One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 36 'Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?'

37 Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: "Love your neighbour as yourself." 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.'

41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, 42 'What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?'

'The son of David,' they replied.

43 He said to them, 'How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him "Lord"? For he says,

44 "The Lord said to my Lord:  
'Sit at my right hand  
until I put your enemies  
under your feet.'"

45 If then David calls him "Lord", how can he be his son?' 46 No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### Hymn:

*"A mighty fortress is our God"* (see opposite)

### Order for Morning Prayer Two (page 101)

### Children's Song:

*"Thank you, Lord, for this fine day"*

### Birthday Box

### Worship Songs:

*"There is a Redeemer"*

*"We bow down and confess"*

*Children leave for activities in hall.*

### Proclaiming and Receiving of the Word

#### Psalm: 1 *(said by alternate verse)*

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 **Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day and night.**
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 **It is not so with the wicked; they are like the chaff which the wind blows away.**
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 **For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

*(Pause for silence)*

**Giver of life, save us from the desert of faithlessness and nourish us with the living water of your word, that we may bring forth fruit that will last, in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

**Reading:** John 4: 4-26

**Canticle:** - *said together*

- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord; all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.
- 2 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:
- 3 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
- 4 The glorious company of apostles praise you; the noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
- 5 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you; throughout the world, the holy Church acclaim you:
- 6 Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

### Creed (page 112)

### The Prayers of the People

### Collect of the Day & Morning Collects

### Intercessions

### Hymn: 518

*"Bind us together, Lord"*

### Address

### Offertory Hymn: 526

*"Risen Lord, whose name we cherish"*

### Going Out as God's People

### Blessing

*Should you wish a member of the Parish Ministry Team to pray with you after the service, please go to the Chapel of Healing.*

## Opening Hymn

- 1 **A mighty fortress is our God,**  
a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he, amid the flood  
of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
does seek to work us woe;  
his craft and power are great,  
and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.
- 2 Did we in our own strength confide,  
our striving would be losing,  
were not the right Man on our side,  
the Man of God's own choosing.  
You ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth his name,  
from age to age the same;  
and he must win the battle.
- 3 And though this world, with devils filled,  
should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God has willed  
his truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim,  
we tremble not for him;  
his rage we can endure,  
for lo! his doom is sure;  
one little word shall fell him.
- 4 That Word above all earthly powers  
no thanks to them abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours  
through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go,  
this mortal life also;  
the body they may kill:  
God's truth abideth still;  
his kingdom is forever!

## Children's Song

**Thank you, Lord, for this fine day,**  
Thank you, Lord, for this fine day,  
Thank you, Lord, for this fine day,  
Right where we are.

*Alleluia, praise the Lord!*  
*Alleluia, praise the Lord!*  
*Alleluia, praise the Lord!*  
*Right where we are.*

Thank You, Lord, for loving us,  
Thank You, Lord, for loving us,  
Thank You, Lord, for loving us,  
Right where we are.

*continued*

Thank You, Lord, for giving us peace,  
Thank You, Lord, for giving us peace,  
Thank You, Lord, for giving us peace,  
Right where we are.

## Worship Songs

**There is a Redeemer,**  
Jesus, God's own Son,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,  
for giving us your Son,  
And leaving your Spirit  
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,  
Name above all names,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory,  
I will see his face.  
And there I'll serve my King for ever,  
in that Holy Place.

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## We bow down and confess

you are Lord in this place.  
We bow down and confess  
you are Lord in this place.  
You are all I need;  
it's your face I seek.  
In the presence of your light  
we bow down, we bow down.

## Morning Sermon Questions

### Building Community - Going deeper.

How do we deepen our conversations?

What hinders deeper conversations?

How can we build trust in our relationships?

“Our relationship with God is a mirror of the  
relationship we have with each other.”

Is this true in your life?

**See the Parish Website**

[www.donaghadeeparish.co.uk](http://www.donaghadeeparish.co.uk)

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## NOTICES

### Monday:

2.00pm - 4.00pm **Monday Club**

### Wednesday: ALL SAINTS' DAY

11.00am Holy Communion and Intercessions for the Sick with the laying on of hands.

### Sunday: Fourth Sunday before Advent

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship & Sunday School

7.00pm **Joint Evening Healing Service in Donaghadee Methodist Church**  
**NO Evening Service in Parish**

### Financial Matters!

The FWO envelopes, collections & Standing Orders.

**Average over 39 weeks** (1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 30<sup>th</sup> Sept)  
= £1,415.83 per week

Development & Fabric Fund Envelopes,  
Donations, Standing Orders:

**Total received over 39 weeks** (1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 30<sup>th</sup> Sept)  
= £15,722.88

**Total Fund Raising** (1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 30<sup>th</sup> Sept) = £3,752.81

If any parishioner wishes to avail of the Direct Debit facility for either FWO or Fabric Fund Accounts, please speak to Helen Murdie.

## PRAYER POINTS

- \* Remember to pray for our Rector Ian, Debbie, Luke and Jonny.
- \* For the other churches in our town: remembering this week Donaghadee Methodist congregation, their minister Revd Tom McKnight and his wife Elizabeth.
- \* For our Link Diocese of Albany, Bishop Bill, clergy and people.
- \* Diocesan Parish Prayer Focus: remembering this week Glen Community Church and Leader Stephen Doherty.
- \* For Bishop Justin, his Diocese and for the work of CMS.

**Our purpose is:  
that people may find  
faith in Jesus.  
Pray for someone  
who YOU could  
invite to church.**



## SAVE OUR SQUIRRELS!

### **Urgent request for help.**

1<sup>st</sup> Donaghadee Sea Scout Group urgently need leaders for our Squirrel section (boys and girls), aged 4-6 years old) who meet on Mondays

from 5.00pm - 6.00pm.

Some training will be required and all assistance will be given for this.

If you, or someone you know, could help, please contact our Rector or Alvin Walker (07989693171) or any other leader as soon as possible.

**No leaders, sadly, no re-start!**



## JOINT EVENING HEALING SERVICE

in

**Donaghadee Methodist Church**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

**at 7.00pm**

- \* **Please note there will**  
**NO Evening Service in**  
**the Parish**

