Pastoral Visitation

If you have been unwell or in hospital please let the Rector know. In this diocese the hospital chaplain/s look after our pastoral needs when we are ill in hospital but if you would like a visit from the Rector in hospital, or on return home / to respite please do let me know or ask the chaplain to do so.

Please bear in mind that without a parishioner's permission chaplains are not at liberty to advise the Rector that a parishioner is in hospital.

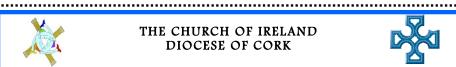
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Please advise us of any address changes and we will update our records. If you do not wish to receive Templebreedy News please let the office know. If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Happenings' e-mail, please forward your e-mail address to the office. Thank you.

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YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAYS: Nohoval 10.00 a.m. Crosshaven 8.30 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

The next issue of **Templebreedy News (Spring Edition)** will be published end of March 2022. Any item that you would like considered for inclusion can be sent to the Rectory by mid-March. Thank you.

This newsletter is produced and delivered free of charge to your home as part of our parish ministry. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of providing this service it would be very much appreciated. Please contact Debbie at 4831236.

Templebreedy News

Parish Newsletter for Holy Trinity Church, Crosshaven and Nohoval Parish Church



But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." - Luke 2:10

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From the Rector



Hello everybody!

Doctor Check Up in December

Four year old Ruthie was visiting her paediatrician for a check-up. When Doctor Wilson looked into her ears with his oto-

scope, he said:

"Do you think I'll find an elf in here?"

Ruthie was silent.

So Doc Wilson reached for a tongue depressor and looked down her throat. He asked:

"Do you think I'll find Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer down there? Again, Ruthie was silent.

Then Doctor Wilson put on his stethoscope and began listening to her heartbeat. And he asked:

"Do you think I'll find Santa in there?"

This time Ruthie replied:

"Oh no."

"Jesus is in my heart."

"Santa is on my pyjamas."

This little story lifted my heart when I read it, there is no doubt in Ruthie's mind who is with her and most important in her life!

When we can say "Jesus is in my heart" our worries and our fears melt away, for Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." As the old hymn puts it "Yesterday, today, forever, Jesus is the same, all may change, but Jesus never—glory to His name!"

Jesus is the one steadfast and unchanging anchor who can hold our lives together, when everything seems uncertain, and we are fearful. He fills our world with hope and boy does the world need that, as I write COP 26 Climate Change Conference is on in Glasgow is just ending, and we are acutely aware of what we are doing to our 'Home'.

So, let's prepare our hearts for Christmas to celebrate Christ entering into our world and hearts. Into the darkness and despair around us, a child was born. When we turn to the Christ Child and accept him into our hearts like

WINTER SERVICES

Date	Nohoval 10.00 a.m.	Holy Trinity 8.30 a.m.	Holy Trinity 11.30 a.m.
Dec 05 The 2nd Sunday of Advent	Moring Prayer	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer
Dec 12 The 3rd Sunday of Advent	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer
Dec 12 Carol Service	Carol Service	No Service	No Service
	7.30 p.m.		
Dec 17 Carol Service	No Service	No Service	Carol Service 8 p.m.
Dec 19 The 4th Sunday of Advent	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer
Dec 24 Christmas 'Eve'	8p.m. Holy Communion	No Service	11.30p.m. Holy Communion
Dec 25 Christmas Day	Holy Communion	No Service	Holy Communion
Dec 26 The 1st Sunday of Christmas	Service of the Word	No Service	Service of the Word
Jan 02 The 2nd Sunday of Christmas	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer
Jan 09 The 1st Sunday after the Epiphany	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer

Please **pre-book** your place for any of the above services by contacting the Parish Office on 021–4831236. To keep in line with the current Covid-19 restrictions we have to limit the numbers we are allowed to have in the church building.



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Safeguarding Trust and Parish Panel

What's it all about?

'Safe guarding trust' is the COI Code of good practice for ministry with children. The COI has to set standards for the welfare of all children sharing in its ministry with a view to protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm.

Each parish is expected to implement this code and train leaders and panel members. All workers/helpers paid or voluntary are expected to know the code.

The code exists to safeguard children, young people and their leaders; it therefore has to be reasonable and practical.

Church of Ireland child protection policy statement:

It is the policy of the Church of Ireland to set standards for the welfare of all children sharing in its ministry with a view to protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm.

The purpose of the code of good practice

Thousands of children visit Church of Ireland premises for worship and for other social, educational and recreational purposes each week. The Church's ministry to them is a priority for the Church and it is only possible because of the commitment of adults who are prepared to work with children.

Safeguarding Trust: the Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children is designed to protect and to enhance that ministry.

Safeguarding Trust: the Church of Ireland Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children is designed to enable all parties within the Church of Ireland to fulfil their I proper responsibilities within this ministry:



to create a safe environment which will promote healthy and fulfilling participation of children and young people in educational and recreational activities and minimise the possibility of harm, either deliberate or accidental.



to encourage safe practices for those who work with children.



to set out the appropriate responses and procedures in the event of abuse taking place.



to safeguard those who work with children from the consequences of unfounded accusations.

The panel members are:







Mrs. Hazel Ross Tel: 021-4887364

Mrs. Dorothy Verplancke Tel: 021-4887247

Rev. Isobel Jackson

Tel: 021-4831236

Ruthie, our burdens are lifted, and we are able to keep going and by his Holy Spirit we will be led to make a difference to those around us and to our world.

May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

> "MAY THE BLESSINGS OF CHRISTMAS BE WITH YOU, MAY THE CHRIST CHILD LIGHT YOUR WAY. MAY GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE YOU. AND KEEP YOU SAFE EACH DAY."



Diary Dates at a glance..

December

- Nohoval Church Advent Carol Service Saturday 12th December at 7.30pm.
- Holy Trinity Carol Service Friday 17th December at 8.00pm
- Christmas Eve Holy Communion at 8.00pm in Nohoval Parish Church and 11.30pm in Holy Trinity Church.
- Christmas Day 25th December Services 10.00am in Nohoval & 11.30am in Holy Trinity.
- Service of the Word on Sunday 26th December at 10.00am in Nohoval Church and 11.30pm in Holy Trinity.

(days and times subject to change)

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Templebreedy Parish Christmas Services

Please find insert which is the service sheet reservation form. Return the form with details to the Parish office by post or Whatsapp Photo or email/phone a.s.a.p. We will endeavour to accommodate as many people as possible in our worship this Christmas.



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Holy Trinity & Nohoval Church



Advice:

Please do not attend Church or enter the Church Grounds if you, or a member of your household, is experiencing any symptoms of Covid-19, for example:

Cough and/or Fever regardless of your travel or contact history.

We thank you for your cooperation

What to expect when you attend for Service:-

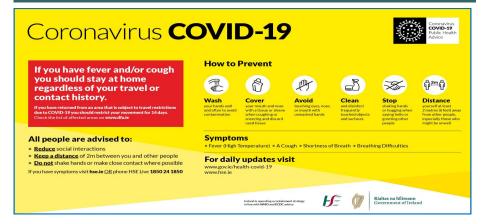
Please note, restrictions and HSC guidelines have been put in place for your wellbeing. So, **social distancing** will be a requirement together with **hand hygiene**, and **respiratory etiquette** including the wearing of a **face covering/masks**. A **steward** will direct to and from your seats for the services. This means it is wise to come to church giving yourself more time to enter than usual.

<u>You are kindly requested not to attend if you feel ill in any way</u>, especially with high temperature or have been in contact with anyone known to have Covid-19 recently.

We will make a recording of our weekly service for those who cannot yet be in a larger group.

It will be uploaded to the Parish Website weekly after morning service.

We ask for your understanding and co-operation and look forward to being able to ease our way back to worship within the church buildings again.



fabulous place. The children were mesmerised by all the new toys and exciting play areas in and outside, they even had the opportunity to paint some gorgeous paintings. Looking forward to our next visit.

Harvest Thanksgiving Service

The end of the harvest season is a wonderful time of year, and most especially when the harvest has been bountiful. Being able to gather and sing praises to God together is a tradition and high light of the church year. To thank God is so ingrained in us and as we say in our Holy Communion liturgy 'it is right to give our

thanks and praise'. Our celebration this year was unusual for us, in that we gathered outside in a grain

store on a local farm and jointly as a parish. What a wonderful setting on a mixed farm with the sun shining, even on the 10th of October. We

had a great turn out, with many coming who wouldn't ordinarily fit in our churches with present restrictions. The children presented their gifts for Penny Dinners and the collection was for the Haiti Earthquake Appeal through Christian Aid. Canon Andrew Orr as our special preacher



gave a very engaging sermon, starting with a funquiz on extinct animals. Then spoke on climate

change and challenged us on what we can do to help reverse it. Grateful thanks to Canon Andrew, to those who served teas, and those who supplied food and gifts. and to those who put together the decorations. To our readers, Niall Nicholson and Freya Healy and most especially the Nicholson family. 'We thank thee God our Father for all things'







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Pet Blessing

Blessed be God, who Created Heaven and Earth. All creation sings your praises.



We held our annual Pet Blessing Service as a special celebration of all God's beautiful creatures, wild and wonderful to cute and cuddly on Friday the 8th of Octo-

ber. Animals and pets are important to people, especially children...So, each year we put some time

aside in school and parish to think of animals and pets. Joyfully we had our pets with us! Last year we couldn't gather with parents and animals in the playground due to the coronavirus pandemic restrictions.

In thinking of and blessing our pets, we demonstrate God's love for all creation.



Wobblers & Toddlers

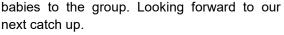
Wobblers and Toddlers Teddy Bears Picnics



On Friday 10th of September and 8th of October Templebreedy's Wobblers and Toddlers gathered for the first time since September 2020. Ordinarily we would have met in the Rectory. All have missed the normal



get together's. We are so grateful to the Nicholson Family for accommodating and welcoming us to their family farm and wonderful grain store which was perfect for our needs. Coffee, tea and juice accompanied by home bakes were definitely what was needed. It was a joy to welcome five new





On Friday the 12th November we had a wonderful gathering in the Orchard Pre-School in Kilnagleary, Carrigaline. Thanks so much to Karen Cotter and Noah for inviting us to her



Templebreedy School Prizegiving

Our annual prizegiving was for a second year running held on Zoom live link. Nevertheless, it did not spoil the excitement and expectancy. Each child won a prize for their work in various subjects. There were also cups and shields for hockey and a variety of gifts and talents hotly contested including student of the year. The beautiful book prizes, cups and shields were given out the following day at our school assembly. Well done to



Ascension Day

On Ascension Day 13th May we had a school service in the playground. The children read and retold the story and prayed using actions. The sun shone and it was a special time to reflect on what Jesus's ascension message means for us in our daily lives.



Templebreedy Church Choir

Templebreedy Church Choir returned to practice on Monday 8th November after 20 months of separation! Although we cannot sing at services yet, it was lovely to sing together again. Whilst keeping socially distant, we started practice as usual with Owen leading us in the RSCM prayer. For now, we will just concentrate on Advent and Christmas hymns and music. Some choristers had not seen the beautiful new music shelves, donated by Joy Smyth in memory of her late husband, Leslie. Simon Nicholson crafted the shelves to reflect the design of the organ, and both sit very comfortably at the back of the church. Purposely, the open shelves will house the various hymn books and music that the choir use. We didn't want cupboards, with things locked away, but rather open shelving where the choir can easily access the material and enjoy a sense of equal responsibility and ownership. Fingers crossed we will all be singing together as a congregation soon, but for now, this small sense of normality that Monday evening practice brings is truly welcomed.

Roger Ellis, Choirmaster and Organist

Parish Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation classes began on zoom on Sunday afternoons. It was so encouraging to see fourteen young people who were interested in exploring their faith and aiming to confirm that faith at their Confirmation Service. On Mothering Sunday each of the confirmands took part in leading morning worship. They led the readings, prayers and even a song, by Zara. It was marvellous.

We came to the end of our Confirmation Course at the end of May. It had been different meeting by video-link, and not in person but our last two gatherings were at Holy Trinity church in person- what a treat! and pizza, a double treat. The young people were to be commended for their engagement in the classes.



Confirmation **Zipit**

The group planned a summer gathering when strictions would allow. To that end on Saturday the 28th of August a very en-



thusiastic group arrived at Farren Wood Zipit Forest Adventure. The excitement was palpable as the group had mostly met on Zoom live link and

so were delighted to be outside and together doing something really fun. A wonderful team building exercise, and a



real exercise in FAITH! Those ropes are high! The outing ended with a home brought picnic in the beautiful forest.

Over the months

there were a number of proposed dates for our Confirmation Service, and due to circumstance they didn't work out.

Marriage Course

We have also just completed our parish Marriage Course. It was a series of seven sessions, designed to help couples, whether preparing for marriage or married for any number of years to invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage. Nicky and Sila Lee, authors of The Marriage Book, developed The Marriage Course for couples looking for practical support to strengthen their relationship. The

course is designed to help couples build strong foundations, learn to communicate more effectively and resolve differences well. Unfortunately, this time round we had to meet on Zoom and missed our weekly romantic meal in Cronin's Bar and Restaurant! We will make up for it later in the summer.



News from the Nohoval Parish Treasurer

Time just seems to be moving too guickly despite 2021 continuing to be challenging due to Covid 19.

We as a community of Nohoval and Tracton Parish have done well to pay our way this year through your continued support using Online banking, Envelopes and direct cheques to me.

I have to mention though, that I have had to dip into our Fund Raising account to top up our Current account to pay daily expenses such as ESB, insurance and the on going Sustentation also known as our Fair Share. Just to keep you in the loop our total Fair Share this year was €27,550 and the last 1/4 payment of €6,887.50 is due on November 30th.

Please contact me if further information is needed or if you would like to donate through the bank. Account IBAN is IE90IPBS99071612102970

Hopefully.. and I say this with my fingers crossed, that we will get back to fund raising soon to replenish our funds for our church.

On that note thank you for all your support this year financially and also your prayers keeping us all safe and moving forward, as we as a church community continue to function during challenging times.

Thank you to Het who is a great right hand lady and to Adam for helping with the technical side of things.

It may be a little early but from my Home to your Home I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year!



Jackie Gleasure, Nohoval and Tracton Parish Treasurer.

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Focus Sleep Out

This year our teenagers with friends from Carrigaline parish slept out for Focus. Credit to the young folk who slept out in the elements, going without their usual comforts for the night in solidarity with those who are homeless or living in unsuitable accommodation, also thanks to our wonderful leaders



on the night and the wonderful couple who delivered pizza to the starving!! Billy Kennedy, a local song writer and performer came along and we had a sing song around the fire. Thanks to everyone who supported! Our Focus Sleep Out, raised €1,920.





Notes from the Templebreedy Treasury

Once again we are nearing the end of another year and thankfully I can say we have been able to meet all our financial obligation to date. Even during lockdown we still had parishioners supporting us financially with regular bank standing orders, envelopes (some even being dropped into me in my office) as well as donations, go fund me, etc.. Good news for 2022 is that the Diocesan assessment for 2022 will be the same as for 2021, this being €55,100 for Templebreedy's share of the Groups total of €82,650. Once again I must emphasize that this is the monies paid direct to the Diocese before anything is spent/paid for locally. In closing, thank you once again and hopefully with your support we will continue in the same trend next year.

Barry Jenkins, Parish Treasurer

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Confirmation Service

Finally, a date was set and back up was in place. Bishop Paul was heartily welcomed in Temple-breedy and even more joyously than usual when he came to celebrate confirmation on Sunday the 7th of November. Everyone was delighted to see our bishop hale and hearty again. It was a



lovely relaxed and meaningful service, a real celebration of God's gift of love to us and the challenge to live out and practice our faith. Caoimhe Jennings read and Zara Black sang a solo, that lovely hymn 'As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.' Please continue to pray for the newly confirmed, that they will continue to grow in faith. Cullen Gash, Ruth Daunt, Lukas Hornibrook, Finn O'Mahony, Zara Black, Daniel Burns, Mark Drake, Skye Andrews, Lily Andrews, Caoimhe Jennings, Lucy Moynan, Akeela Itty, Andrew Taylor and Billy Smyth.

Diocesan Magazine

The Magazine is available in two formats: hard copy format at €25 per annum and digital format at €20 per annum. The digital format may appeal to people outside of the diocese as well as those who may have difficulty picking up their magazine on the first Sunday of the month in Church. Magazines can also be posted out to subscribers' homes. In addition, to the Magazine distributor in each church enquiries about new subscriptions can also be directed to myself at ccrmagsubs@gmail.com. Advertisements would be most welcome in the



Rev Kingsley Sutton celebrates his 50th birthday with

Magazine. Rates are reasonable and enquiries can be directed to

Mrs Dorothy Verplancke at dorothyver@gmail.com.

Holy Week

We began Lent back in February. In some ways it felt as though we never emerged from Lent 2020! The readings for the First Sunday in Lent were very appropriate illustrating that God has been present in all of humanity's ordeals since, well, forever...He has made covenants with his children and we are the children of promise. So, we thought about what this meant for us within our twenty-first-century communities.

Time travelled on quickly, and we soon found ourselves embarking on our second Holy Week in time of pandemic.

There was a short prayer service prepared and recorded for each evening, following different liturgies from the Common Book of Prayer and a prayer vigil on Easter Eve.

Good Friday reading of the Passion

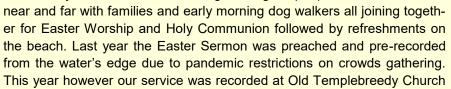
Traditionally on Good Friday the church communities gather in Nohoval to walk 'The Way of the Cross', beginning in Nohoval C of I and



proceeding to St Patricks Church, this was obviously not possible this year due to the present restrictions. Instead, the Rev Canon George Murphy joined with Rev Isobel and Mr Daniel Emerson in recording the reading of the Passion Narrative for online viewing. This was much appreciated by the community.

Easter Day Sunrise Service

This was the tenth year since our Group of Parishes began hosting an annual Sunrise Service on Fountainstown Beach. We usually have an enthusiastic gathering of people from





ruin as by sunrise the beach was already busy with swimmers and onlookers. A sign of our changed times!

Easter Morning Sunrise as the backdrop to worship, is truly a breath-taking event.

new and on-going MU projects throughout Ireland as well as specific important overseas projects. As on many of our walks, we were blessed with precipitation, but it didn't dampen the spirits. We had lovely coffee and cakes on Rabbit Island and a great catch up and some prayers for community. Thanks for all the support. € 250 was raised.



Holy Matrimony



Tracy Chambers married John Moriarty on the 1st of April. Huge congratulations to Tracy and John as they begin their married life together.



May their home truly be a place of love and harmony where your Spirit is ever present, and through all their life together.

Congratulations to Donna Ross and Ian Sheerin who were married in Holy Trinity Church on the 2nd of September. A very happy day that had been awaited and rescheduled on a number of occasions due to pandemic restrictions. A beautiful bright day, surrounded by family and friends, the joy was unmistakable. We wish the happy couple every happiness and blessing in their married life together.





Congratulations to Rachel Bryan and Mike O' Sullivan who were married in Holy Trinity Church on the 24th of September. A very happy day that had been awaited and rescheduled due to pandemic restrictions. The weather was perfect, surrounded by family and friends, a truly joyous occasion. Not surprisingly the theme was LOVE! The readings that Rachel and Mike had chosen for their wedding ceremony were from Love Letters and Love Songs. They were reminded in the service that God wants them to

have all of the things that make their hearts sing...and that too is our prayer for them as they set out on their married life together.

Christian Aid Week May

Normally a coffee fundraiser at the rectory would be enjoyed. This year we took to the Crosshaven walk as far as Rabbit Island in a socially distanced way, with coffee and cake on the Island.



Later in the month we were delighted to join in with Rev Tony Murphy as he walked throughout May across each parish to raise money for the Christian Aid Farming project in Burundi. Tony attended church with us on Pentecost Sunday to update us on the project, and we are thrilled to hear he raised over €12,000.





Monthly Walks- August Doneraile Park

We enjoyed another walking outing together on the 12th of August to Doneraile Park. The weather was a little damp, but the spirits were high. In these times we all travelled in separate cars, a bus would have been much more fun! A tour guide of the house and gardens awaited our arrival. We enjoyed the history of both, and an interesting sculptural exhibition called 'Conjuring Form' which added to the interest and beauty of the house. The Doneraile Court tearooms were a just what we needed for a delicious lunch, coffee and cakes, followed by a walk in the grounds a perfect way to finish the visit.

September fundraising walk with Hilary Dring MU

In September we were delighted to have Hilary Dring the Diocesan Moth-



ers Union President join us and other members from the Carrigaline Union of Parishes. It was one leg of Hilary's 21 planned walks for Mums in May." Mums in May" is an All-Ireland Fund which was established in 2012 in celebration of 125 years of MU in Ireland. The Fund supports

Church Outside

Nohoval Church like many other small church buildings in our dioceses, faces a challenge as it cannot accommodate fully its normal congregation due to the two-metre space restriction. On the 11th of July in Nohoval we had our



church service outside which was a wonderful gathering. This Sunday was planned to be our parish confirmation, but sadly had to be postponed due the restrictions, so we invited all the confirmands to a service of celebration and remembered them especially as they awaited another date for their anticipated special day.

Easter General Vestry

Our meetings took place on the 13th and 15th April for Holy Trinity and Nohoval Church Vestries. This year due to restrictions we met on Zoom Video Link. Thank you to all who took part. and especially to those who were happy to be appointed and elected. We are delighted to have some new people involved in this important work and ministry in the parish.

Holy Trinity Church

Incumbent's Churchwarden –Patricia O' Flaherty; People's Churchwarden- David Chambers; People's Glebewarden Trevor Kingston; Incumbents's Glebewarden-Kay Jenkins

Elected Members: Della Mc Sweeney; George Jagoe; Doris Bryan; Joy Smyth; David Jennings; Derek Moynan; Jennifer Gill; Jane Bryan; Niall O' Shea and Debbie Boyd. Treasurer- Barry Jenkins; Secretary - Dorothy Verplancke.

Nohoval Church

Incumbent's Churchwarden-Evelyn Hosford; People's Churchwarden-Isobel Buttimer; People's Glebewarden- George Buttimer;

Elected Members: Edwin Bryan; Francis Ross; Daniel Emerson, Alan Rumley; Jennifer Bryan; Joyce Gleasure; Elsie Gash; Damien Gash; George Ross; Graham Cull; and Jimmy Hosford; Treasurer –Jackie Gleasure; Secretary-Eleanor Howe

Thanking God for his wisdom and blessings in the past year, strange year that it has been and yet there is a sense of refreshment as we have embraced change and grown. We go forward on the journey together with hope and expectancy! We warmly welcome our new members to the Select Vestry and thank those who have stepped off for the time being for their huge input over the years. Special thanks to our outgoing office holders!

Sea Sunday

We celebrated Sea Sunday in Nohoval and Holy Trinity Churches on the 25th of July. We were unable to have the community participation and attendance and Boat Blessing that we would normally have but we were delighted to have a visit from Mr. Colin Jenkins as our special speaker, sharing about



the work and ministry of the Seamen's Christian Friend Society. He visits



many of the ships that dock in Cork. As much as 90% of world trade is transported by sea and many of today's container ships are large enough to carry up to 19,000 containers. Cork is a busy port, and there is often as many as ten ships of various types moving in and out of the Port every day. Colin visits a number daily depending on their time in port and their needs.

The crew's, on average have twenty- two persons on board and come from a mixture of nationalities and from a variety of different backgrounds. Most of the crew are on board their ships for many months at a time and due to Coronavirus now having to renew their nine-month contract as they can't get home. This means eighteen months away from their loved ones. Few of them have Wi-Fi on board which means they have very little contact with friends and family. One captain recently said that because of nine-month contracts, his 30 years at sea means him spending only five years back at home with his family. It's not an easy life being a seafarer and some of them are living in appalling conditions.

Pre- Coronavirus and looking to the future our diocese led by Bishop Paul

has a plan to support Mission to Seafarers in the New Port, many parishioners in neighbouring parishes have already volunteered to give time to man a space and welcome the seafarers...

As with many things Covid-19, has halted the progression of the original plan...but God is always at work and there is definitely a great need. As a parish this summer we have been able to collect much needed practical items which have been delivered onboard to the men and women, mostly men, who



Fundraising for the Alzheimer's Society

We were delighted to welcome Ms Siobhán O' Connor from the Alzheimer's Society to our morning services on Sunday the 29th of August. She wished to acknowledge two fundraisers which had taken place in the parish and community.

Firstly, a wonderful concert in November 2019 with Brian Kennedy, featuring Crosshaven Community Choir directed by Dr. Eva McMullan and accompanied by Padraig Wal-



lace. For many of us our last concert before the pandemic and since. A local walk this July to Rabbit Island.

September was national Alzheimer's month, when people come together



from all around the world to raise awareness and to challenge the stigma that persists around dementia. September 2021 marks the 10th year of this vital global awareness raising campaign. 21st September also marks World Alzheimer's Day. € 3400 was raised.

Thank you to Siobhán for her wonderful work and to all those who have supported our fundraising endeavours.

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to Della and Kieran Mac Sweeney on the sudden loss of Kieran's brother Noel recently. The family of Mark Wills on his untimely and sudden passing and Fr Con Cronin's family, parishioners, colleagues and friends....and our own dear Bishop Michael Mayes and



family on his wife Beth's passing. Bless those who mourn, eternal God, with the comfort of your presence, that they may face each new day with hope and the certainty of your love and presence. May their memories become joyful, their days enriched with friendship, and their lives encircled by your love.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Orla Busteed, her sister Nessa, Rodney and the wider family on the death of Orla's Mum Róisín in Galway on the 16th of October. Roísín and her husband the late Brendan were welcome and regular visitors to Nohoval. May the Lord continue to comfort and sustain those who have been bereaved.

Holy Baptism



On May the 23rd we celebrated Pentecost, the churches birthday, made more special in that Aimie and Barry Hodnett brought their little boy Alfie John to church in Crosshaven for Holy Baptism. They were supported by loving family, grandparents and Alfie's enthusiastic Godparents Adam and Karen. Pentecost, we heard was the perfect day for a bap-

tism as it teaches us all what the life of faith is about. The day when Alfie was surrounded by his adoring family, and his church family who will get to know him and together learn that God loves us all as we are and we will share that love to the ends of the earth, as God commissions us.

It was a great celebration for the Nicholson and O' Meara families when Niall and Sarah Nicholson brought Sophie Mary Francis for Holy Baptism on the 31st of October. They were supported by Godparents Martin O' Meara and Marian O' Donovan and all the family. In the service we used the lectionary readings for All Saints' Day. All Saints' is a very appropriate day for baptism as we acknowledge all of the members of the covenant



community, known and unknown to us, into which we were welcoming Sophie. All the church members reaffirmed their own baptismal vows in solidarity with those newly baptised locally and around the world on that day.

Laying on a Wreath on local Famine Grave

On Saturday the 18th of September, An Taoiseach, Micheál Martin T.D and other dignitaries paid a visit to St Matthews Church, Templebreedy, Cross-

haven to meet the volunteers of the Save Our Steeple' project. An Taoiseach, laid a wreath at the site of a famine mass grave that was discovered during restoration work carried out by the volunteer group Save Our Steeple. Locals have estimated that between three to ten thousand bodies may have been buried there.





so appreciate the gifts of food, toiletries and warm clothes items.

Supporting Seafarers

September's gift bags were delivered by Colin Jenkins SCFS and Eamon Lucey to the Maersk Bahama's crew. The crew members they met were Indian, Sri

Lankan, Burmese, Filipino and Ukrainian.

October's gift bags were delivered to the Maersk Bahama's crew. The crew members they met were from various countries. Novembers gift packs were delivered by Colin Jenkins SCFS and Eamon

Lucey to the crew of the "As Petronia" from Costa Rica which was laden with bananas for us! The crew members they met were from Manila, Ukraine and one from Panama. They were so grateful for the generous and thoughtful support. Some of the crew who received gifts in the summer still remember the kindness.



New Arrivals

Congratulations to Lloyd and Suzie Forbes on the safe arrival of Tadhg on 1st April. As new parents, we pray for you as you enjoy this special gift from God and make lots of wonderful memories.

Congratulations to Linda and Simon Nicholson on baby Elijah's safe entry to the world on the 23rd of April, a brother for Anna.



Congratulations to Helga and Jason Bryan on the safe arrival of Rosie into the family on the 7th of May. A sister for Dylan, Harry, Holly and Lottie. May God bless these little ones as they fill their homes with joy and excitement.

Congratulations to Maren and Marcus Hodder on the birth of Theo, on the 17th of August. A brother for Louisa and Nicholas.

Congratulations also to Sonia and Kevin Midorikawa on the safe arrival of their little girl Remi Rue Gleasure Midorikawa on the 7th of September.

Congratulations to Jill Horan and Wesley O' Brien on the safe arrival of their baby daughter Bonnie May on the 21st of October. With adoring parents and first-time grandparents on both sides, one little girl could be well spoiled!

May the Lord bless these little ones as they fill their homes with joy.

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Templebreedy School News

This term it was wonderful to welcome Archie, Clara, Dominic, Fifi, Louisa, Mabel, Molly, Nathan, Sophia and Susanna.

We are also delighted to welcome secretary Christine Newenham. Christine has very quickly slotted into the efficient running of the office.



Sadly we said goodbye to former secretary Tania McCollum at the end of June. We want to thank her for all her wonderful work in the office and in all aspects of school life, not least for her work for the Christmas Fayre. We wish her well in the future.

Good wishes also to Caoimhe, Lily, Lucy, Regan and Skye, last year's Sixth Class, as they begin the exciting journey of secondary school.

The cycle of school life continues as one class leaves and another begins. At the moment applications are being received for September 2022.

Welcome to Lucy How who was nominated Parents Representative on our Board of Management. Lucy takes the place of Julie Moynan who served on the Board for six years. Thank you Julie for your work and support always.

As the term progressed we reintroduced some of our extra activities. Hockey has resumed and so too has Music and German. It's wonderful to be able to provide these extra learning experiences for the children. It is also great to welcome weekly visits from Rev. Isobel.

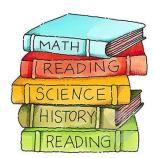
Thanks to Dominic, early in the term the children took home potatoes and onions, produce from our school garden. Our Animal Day Pet Blessing is always a popular occasion in the school calendar. This year with a visit from dogs from Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland. Earlier the children had a no-uniform day to raise funds for AADI.

Many of the children attended the Open Air Harvest Thanksgiving Service at Nicholson's Farm, bringing along food parcels for Cork Penny Dinners. Once again this year parents and friends came to the playground to watch the Halloween Parade.

At a virtual ceremony we were awarded our 4th Green Flag for Travel, and

we're looking forward to raising this shortly.

Work has already begun on the next flag for Biodiversity and we continue to organise events to maintain our status as an Active School.



At present in school as elsewhere, there is a blended approach to learning with many activities and workshops being held online. We have engaged with several of these this term, and some face to face. Recently the children really enjoyed a weaving workshop in the playground where each child created a fish woven from willow.

As we approach the end of our first term, it is true to say that it has been busy but productive.

With Christmas around the corner, the Christmas buzz has started, with preparations for the Christmas Fayre, and practising Christmas music. It is always an exciting time in school and we look forward to the activities and celebrations.

Doris Bryan, Principal.

Join our Zoom

Christingle Service

Sunday 12th December at 4pm

Text Isobel for Zoom invite at 087 7435424

& book candles which

can be
delivered through school...

Christingle is a time to share the light, joy, fun and laughter of Jesus.

