

# **ST. COLMAN'S CHURCH - LARNE ROAD**

## **CARRICKFERGUS**

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### ***FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER***

#### **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2008**

There are a number of special events organised for the run-up to Easter.

- 1) Passion Sunday March 9th 10.15am  
"Story of the cross" - readings to tell the story interspersed with special music from the choir
- 2) Palm Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> 10.15am  
"All-Age" service to mark the beginning of Holy Week
- 3) Wednesday of Holy Week, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and Maundy Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>  
Holy Communion at 10.30am with a short address.
- 4) Good Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, "The Three Hours" from 12noon until 3pm.

Traditionally Christians have tried to set aside this time to reflect on the passion of our Lord. The church will have number of areas set aside for reflective interaction. On each half hour there will a short time of corporate bible reading, meditation and prayer. You are welcome to be present for the whole time but you may simply want to call in for even one of the half hour slots.

- 5) Good Friday evening  
A short 45 minute united service in St. John's, Ballycarry, beginning at 7.30pm.
- 6) Holy Week Teaching Mission  
A United Mission under the auspices of Mission Carrick will take place in Carrickfergus Methodist Church, at 7.30pm each evening from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March. The speaker will be the Rev. Gordon Fyles, formerly Church of Ireland Rector of Kringen Parish, Dublin.
- 7) Easter Sunday  
9.00am Holy Communion  
10.15am Holy Communion

#### **BANGLADESH APPEAL**

Our thanks to all who supported the Bangladesh appeal. A total of £251.70 was donated.

#### **BRAZILIAN VISITORS**

Thank you to all who have helped with settling in our young friends from Brazil. Diogo, Osorio, Yana and JP are gradually finding their feet helped greatly by their hosts and many others. Thank you also to those who have made donations to help with their costs. It is much appreciated.

#### **PARISH RETREAT/HOLIDAY – EASTER 2008**

Those who wish to attend the parish retreat in Easter week 2008, Monday 24 March to Friday 28 March 2008, please confirm with the rector so that plans can be finalised. The all-in cost for the retreat is £80 for an adult, £60 for a teenager and £40 for primary school and pre-school children. Leaflets giving further details are available in church.

#### **EASTER VESTRY**

The Easter Vestry will take place this year on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 8.00pm in the main Hall. Everyone may attend with registered members eligible to vote. The evening will include a review of the year, consideration of the parish accounts for the year ended 31 December 2007, the election of a new select vestry and the filling of other positions.

#### **PARISH RECORDS**

##### Funerals

17 December 2007	Bob Patterson
22 January 2008	Sula Snowling

#### **CONTEMPORARY SERVICES**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm