

# CCR BULLETIN

# July 2018

## CALENDAR OF SERVICES

<b>July 1st</b>	11.00 am	Quarterly Holy Communion	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
<b>July 8th</b>	9.30 am	Holy Communion	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
<b>July 15th</b>	9.30 am	Holy Communion	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
<b>July 22nd</b>	9.30 am	Holy Communion	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
<b>July 29th</b>	9.30 am	Holy Communion	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	<b>Revd Purvis Campbell</b>

**Elder on Duty** Robin Simmons

**Stewards** Jill McQuillan Ann Simmons

**Flowers** 1st July Diane Carswell 8th July Diane Carswell 15th July Coral Ruddle  
22nd July Iris Burns 29th July Maurie Cotter

**Jesus' hands were kind hands doing good to all.** Jesus is often angry at those who hear his word without listening, and with those who put obstacles in the way of those who wish to hear him. Today's chapter of Luke's Gospel, chapter 10, reminds us that showing love to others is the heart of God's moral law, and the Samaritan of the parable does God's will by his loving kindness. His identity and doctrinal beliefs are not important. God chooses to reveal himself through Christ to unlikely sinners, even ourselves. We cannot claim that we will sin no more, but we are forgiven and called to serve him. We pray for grace so that neither we nor our church may put any self-righteousness or prejudice in the way of those God chooses to call to himself.

**We pray for our church and for our congregation** that members may always treat each other with the respect and love we would wish for ourselves, and without self-importance or pride. We are all God's unworthy servants and depend on God for any goodness and understanding we may have. We pray for other churches and ask to learn to act with them in a way that glorifies God's name before all his created world, and pray that the light of grace we try to shine before humans is not shaded by our own human failings. Let us present our traditions as a sharing of God's gift of variety, not as a model which must be followed by all. We pray for our neighbours in the Presbytery of Dublin & Munster, that we may support each other's witness in friendship and with gracious respect for its integrity.

**The Retiring Collection** this Sunday will be in aid of **An Cosan**, the largest community education organisation in Ireland, working in areas of social disadvantage. Founded in 1986 by Katherine Zappone and Ann Louise Gilligan in West Tallaght, An Cosan provides people of all ages with educational pathways to learning, leadership and enterprise, ranging from literacy programmes to Honours degrees.

Their virtual community college spreads their ethos beyond Jobstown throughout Dublin and across the country. Please support these community self-help efforts as generously as you can.

**FLOWER SHOW** - The 64th Annual Flower show of the Rathgar Horticultural Society will take place in the Lecture Hall on Saturday 7th July from 2.30 to 5 pm, admission €3 for adults. Entry forms and schedules from [plantdesignbyhilary@gmail.com](mailto:plantdesignbyhilary@gmail.com) Do come, if you can, to this lovely event, celebrating God's creation. It's such good old-fashioned fun. Enjoy a cuppa or buy cakes or plants. Your help is also very welcome - Strong persons to help enfeebled oldies setting up at 3 pm on Friday 6th, and breaking up after the show at 5.30 pm on Saturday. Gardeners are also needed to provide plants for sale, and bakers to supply goodies for the cake stall please, and please again.

**CHRIST CHURCH RATHGAR GOLF OUTING AND FELLOWSHIP DINNER**  
**Rathfarnham Golf Club, Stocking Lane, Dublin 16 Friday, 21st September, 2018**

**Golfers:** Singles Stableford Competition in 3-balls (extra shot accorded to non-Rathfarnham members!).

- Tee time reserved from 13.00h-14.00h
- €55 per person, golf and dinner; €30 per person golf only  
(€30 p.p. golf and dinner for Rathfarnham Golf Club members)

**Diners:** Please join us for this year's Congregational Fellowship Dinner.....good food, chat and there may be music too!

- Dinner – 18.30h for 19.00h
- Venue – Rathfarnham Golf Club
- €25 per person

Bookings to Alison or Jennifer via email at: [webmaster@christchurchrathgar.org](mailto:webmaster@christchurchrathgar.org) or in person ASAP, please, to assist organisation. Payment in advance preferable; please put your name/amount on an envelope and give to one of us at church.

**The Silly Hat barbecue on 10th June** for Junior church members and their families was a huge success and great fun with everyone making the greatest effort of imagination to look as silly as possible, hatwise. **Especial thanks to Purvis and Elizabeth** for their hard work in organizing things and providing exciting playground activities. They have been with us now for a whole year, and what a marvellous year it has been! **We are so thankful to God for such rich provision for our needs.**

**Renaissance Project:** A joint meeting of the Renaissance panel and Committee heard that the roof and its insulation would need more work than anticipated and updating the electrical and heating systems would also prove expensive. Nevertheless it was decided to put the full plans, when available, up for planning permission, quantity surveying and multiple tenders and then to make priority-based decisions on the staging of the project.

**The Committee met on 5th June**, and proposed a budget of funds available for the Renaissance Project. Many minor decisions were taken. A gardening party would work later in June, and Wilma Ormiston would organise a Craft Fair for 24th November. Thanks Wilma! Please note the date!

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