

Parishes of Swords Clonmethan
Kilsallaghan Donabate and Lusk

Newsletter

April 2018

Christ is
risen!
The Lord
is risen
indeed!
Alleluia!



Services in Holy Week (26th – 30th March)

Mon 26th March:

Compline: 7.30pm in Donabate, and 8.30pm in Swords.

Tues 27th March:

Compline: 7.30pm in Donabate, and 8.30pm in Swords.

Wed 28th March:

*Compline: 7.30pm in Donabate, and Lectio Divina *8.40pm* in Swords.*

Maundy Thursday 29th March:

The Lord's Supper: 7.30pm in Donabate & 8.30pm in Swords

Good Friday 30th March:

"At the Cross": 12.00noon in Donabate, and 2.00pm in Swords.

Good Friday 2018 ...

This year, on Good Friday, there will be two services to recall and mark our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion.



The first will be at 12.00noon in Donabate. This will be an ecumenical service, and will begin in St Patrick's Roman Catholic Church by kind invitation. About half-way through the service, we will all process to St Patrick's Church of Ireland Church for the second half of the liturgy, carrying the Cross, the symbol of Christianity and Christian Unity.

The second service will be at 2.00pm in Swords Church. This will be another quiet and reflective service, with opportunities for pausing during the liturgy so as to be able to grasp some of the enormity of the breadth God-in-Christ was prepared to go to reach out to us in love.

It is my hope and prayer that as many as reasonably can will make the effort to come to either service, acknowledging of course the busy-ness of everyday life, but also humbly asking that space might be made in all that busy-ness.

*Thank you in advance.
Robert.*

... and then on Easter Day ...

Come and Celebrate!

The services on Easter Day will be full of celebration, hope and joy! In them we celebrate that most wonderful event – the Resurrection – in which God raised Jesus from the dead!



Everyone is invited to come along and join in the celebration

10.00am: Holy Communion, Donabate;

11.30am: Holy Communion, Swords;

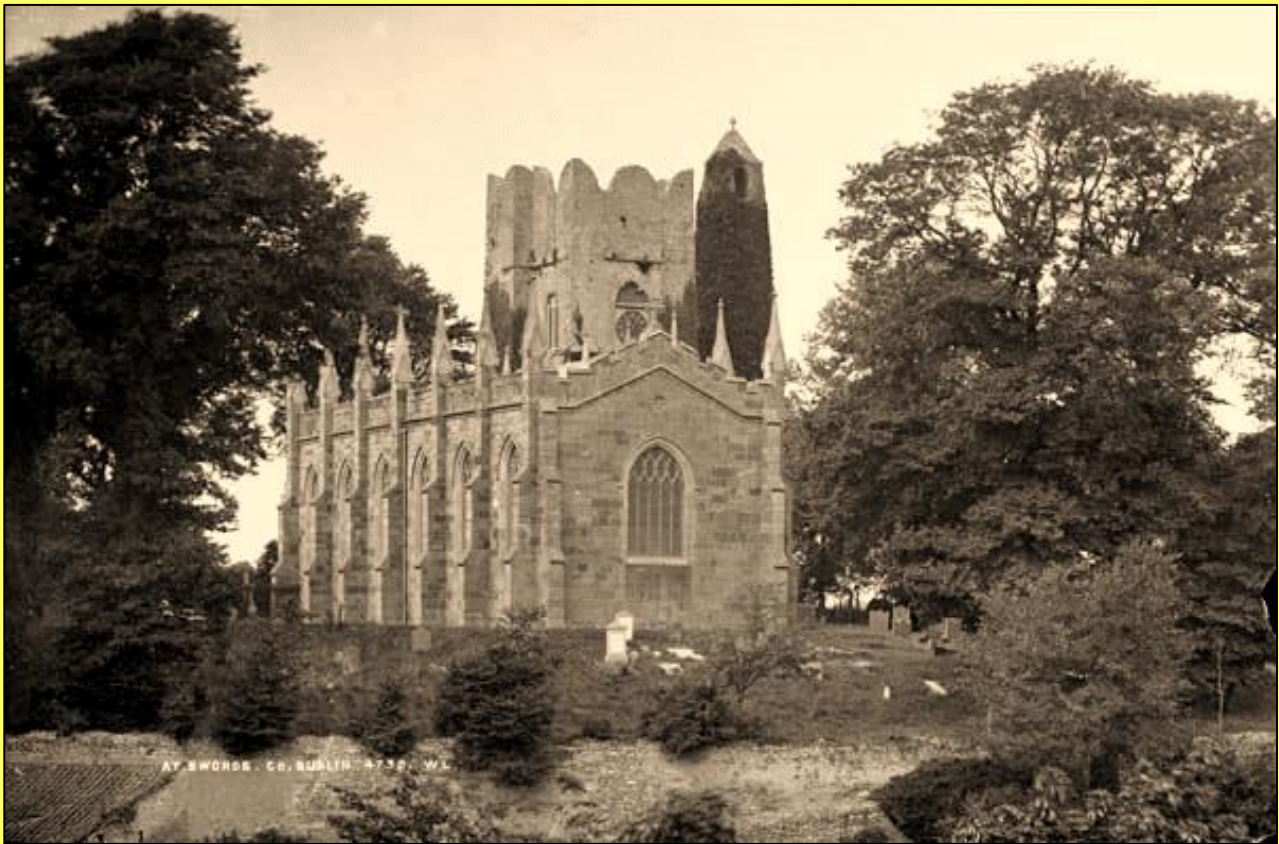
1.00pm: Holy Communion, Kilsallaghan.

The Ladies Tuesday Club:



The Ladies Tuesday Club will be hosting a Coffee Morning and Cake Sale (in aid of the forth-coming bi-centenary celebration in June), on Thursday 12th April in the Parish Hall, Swords from 11.00am – 2.00pm. There'll also be a raffle (see the advert in this edition). The Club will then be holding it's AGM on Tuesday 24th April at 8.00pm in The Rector

St Columba's Church Bicentenary



To mark the bicentenary of the consecration of the present St Columba's Church, Swords, there will be a Service of Thanksgiving followed by a reception in the Parish Hall on Saturday 9th June 2018, at 3.00pm.

The celebrant at the service will be the Archbishop of Dublin, The Most Reverend Dr Michael Jackson, and the special preacher will be the Archbishop of Armagh, The Most Rev Dr Richard Clarke.

At the reception after the service, a specially commissioned book, entitled "St Columba's 1818 – 2018 A Parish History" and written by Brian Scott of Donabate parish, will be launched and be available for purchase.

So, for the moment, put the date in your diary to come along on the day and celebrate with us. More details later.

Donabate Brunch



This quite simply most enjoyable event, which has fast become a tradition in Donabate, took place on Sunday 4th March in Jones' Garden Centre, Donabate – after Church in Donabate! And from the look of all the clean plates, the food must have been delicious! Jean Ellerker did all the arranging and the booking of the venue.

There were about twenty in all who attended what was a most pleasant occasion. They'd simply like to say "Thank you, Jean!".

St. Columba's Parish
Coffee Morning
& Cake Sale

Thursday 12th April 2018

11.00am – 2.00pm

in The Parish Hall

(OPPOSITE ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH)

THERE'LL ALSO BE A RAFFLE!



On the day, we'll need:

Help to set up,

Cakes for Sale and the teas/coffees,

Raffle prizes for the Raffle!

*(proceeds in aid of
St. Columba's Bicentenary celebrations)*

Church Services in March / April 2018

Date	Donabate	Swords	Kilsallaghan
Sun 25th Mar <i>6th Sunday in Lent</i>	10.00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	11.30am <i>Family Service</i>	11.30am <i>Morning Prayer</i>
Mon 26th Mar <i>Holy Week</i>	7.30pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	8.00pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	_____
Tues 27th Mar <i>Holy Week</i>	7.30pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	8.30pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	_____
Wed 28th Mar <i>Holy Week</i>	7.30pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	8.40pm <i>Mid-week Lenten</i>	_____
Thurs 29th Mar <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	7.30pm <i>The Lord's Supper</i>	8.30pm <i>The Lord's Supper</i>	_____
Fri 30th Mar <i>Good Friday</i>	12.00noon <i>"At the Cross"</i>	2.00pm <i>"At the Cross"</i>	_____
Sun 1st Apr <i>Easter Day</i>	10.00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	11.30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	1.00pm <i>Holy Communion</i>
Sun 8th Apr <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	11.30am <i>Morning Prayer + Sunday Club</i>	_____
Sun 15th Apr <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am <i>Family Service</i>	11.30am <i>Holy Communion</i> 6.30pm <i>Bangers@MASH</i>	_____
Sun 22nd Apr <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am <i>Holy Communion</i>	11.30am <i>Family Service</i>	11.30am <i>Morning Prayer</i>
Sun 29th Apr <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am <i>Service of Wholeness and Healing</i>	11.30am <i>Service of Wholeness and Healing</i>	_____
Sun 6th May <i>6th Sunday of Easter: Rogation Sunday</i>	10.00am <i>Morning Prayer + Sunday Club</i>	11.30am <i>Holy Communion</i>	_____

Easter General Vestry Meetings 2018

- Swords -

**Tuesday 10th April, 8.00pm,
The Meeting Room, Swords**

- Donabate -

**Wednesday 11th April, 8.00pm,
Parish Church, Donabate**

The purpose of the Easter General Vestry Meeting is to provide an opportunity for parishioners:

(a) to elect and appoint the Select Vestry which will hold office until the Easter General Vestry in 2019;

(b) to receive and be acquainted with the parish accounts for 2017, and the present financial position of the parish; &

(c) to deal with any other business as may be deemed appropriate!

Put the dates in your diary now and do try to come along on the night!

All welcome!