



Parish Matters

Newsletter of Douglas Union with Frankfield

September 2023

The Rector writes.....

At a time when the Church of Ireland is thinking increasingly about the shape of our future and what pioneer ministry means for us in the twenty first century, we have much to learn from the life and work of a remarkable woman called Georgina Gollock (1861-1940). Don't worry if you've never heard of her – neither had I! She is a forgotten treasure of our diocese.

Gollock was from Cork (born in Kinsale) and a member of the Church of Ireland. She would become one of the most important missiologists of the early twentieth century. We might see her as an early feminist, internationalist, and advocate for cultural and racial justice. Her great achievement was to allow her Christian faith to inspire and empower her to change the way the church communicated to, and cared for, the wider world.

I think, like Georgina Gollock, we need to be inspired afresh for the life of the church in our own time. I am looking forward greatly to meeting with Ian Randall, author of a new Gollock biography, on Thursday 28th September at 7.30pm in St Michael's Church, Blackrock. Everyone is very welcome to this book launch, which will be hosted by members of St Michael's.

Yours in Christ

William

Wedding news The marriage between Claire Holland and Michael Cantillon was celebrated at St Luke's Church, Douglas on Saturday 26th August 2023.

We wish the pupils and staff of both **St Luke's School** in Douglas and **St Michael's School** in Blackrock every blessing now that they have reopened.

We also remember all our younger parishioners who received their **Leaving Certificate** results. We pray for them too as they embark on further studies, training courses or prepare for employment in these extraordinary times.



Anam Cara Cork, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 6th September at 7:15pm in the Maryborough Hotel, Douglas, Cork City. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378



The **Ven. Robin and Mrs Faith Bantry-White** recently celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The occasion was marked by a Holy Communion Service in St Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin, Co. Carlow, celebrated by Bishop Adrian Wilkinson. An address was given by Bishop Michael Burrows. Bishops Burrows and Wilkinson are both former curates of Archdeacon Bantry-White in Douglas Union with Frankfield. The service was followed by a lunch party in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow, when family, relatives and friends

from far and near joined together to congratulate Robin and Faith on this milestone in their lives and to wish them well for the future. The lovely summer's day mirrored the warmth and happiness of the occasion. Pictured in the Cathedral are, l to r: The Rt Rev. Michael Burrows, Bishop of Tuam, Limerick and Killaloe; Mrs Faith Bantry-White; The Ven. Robin Bantry-White; The Rt Rev. Adrian Wilkinson, Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory.

St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth in association with The United Dioceses of Cork, Cloyne & Ross will run a **Certificate Course in Christian Studies**, an introduction of Christian Faith for Adult Learners, commencing on the 28th September.

For more information, please email furthereducation@corkchurchofireland.com

CCR Diocesan Magazine is looking for a recipe for their October issue. If you would like to contribute, please email them at magazine@corkchurchofireland.com before the 17th September.

An important note with regard to Secondary School Grants: Only those attending church will receive signatures for secondary school grants.



The **Parish Book Club** will take place on Tuesday the 12th of September, 11am-12.30 in Passage West.

Sunday School continues to be held once a month in St. Luke's, Douglas. New volunteers to assist would be most welcome. My thanks to those who are providing such a wonderful opportunity for our young people in the parish. The next Sunday School will take place on September 24th. Children of school going age welcome, younger children welcome too but must be accompanied by an adult. Collection from the Canon Packham Hall after church. Consent forms to be filled in by an adult, found at back of the church or ask any of the Sunday school helpers.

THE ELUSIVE DREAM - BY ANN LEVIS

A dream is a thought
Sometimes out of control
A creation, a vision
A part of the soul.

An illusion, a fantasy
A trip in gay colour
An escapade into
Territory obscure.

Posing questions
Perceiving answers
Climbing mountains
Painting Masters.

In a fleeting moment
The elusive dream
Is gone now
Gone forever.

Church Services – September 2023



Sun. 3 September	8.30	Holy Communion	Blackrock
<i>13th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.45	All age service	Passage
	10.00	All age service	Frankfield
	11.15	All age service with baptism	Douglas
	11.30	All age service	Blackrock
Wed. 6 September	11.00	Holy Communion	Douglas
	11.45	Holy Communion	Maryborough NH
Sun. 10 September	8.30	Holy Communion	Blackrock
<i>14th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.45	Holy Communion	Passage
	10.00	Morning Prayer	Frankfield
	11.15	Holy Communion	Douglas
	11.30	Morning Prayer	Blackrock
Sun. 17 September	8.30	Holy Communion	Blackrock
<i>15th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.45	Morning Prayer	Passage
	10.00	Morning Prayer	Frankfield
	11.15	Morning Prayer with baptism	Douglas
	11.30	Morning Prayer	Blackrock
Sun. 24 September	8.30	Holy Communion	Blackrock
<i>16th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.45	Holy Communion	Passage
	10.00	Holy Communion	Frankfield
	11.15	Holy Communion	Douglas
	11.30	Holy Communion	Blackrock

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