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JUNE 2019

**A Bible in their hands
A Saviour in their hearts
A Purpose in their lives**

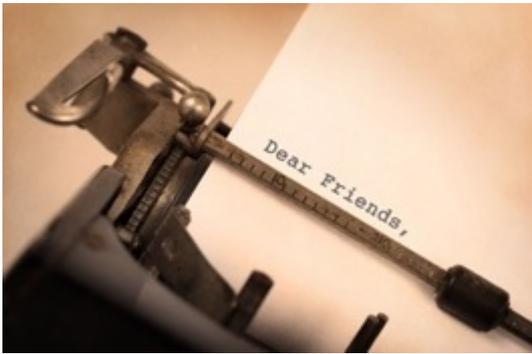
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Letter to Parishioners

Reading 1 Samuel 17



Dear Friends,

I am sure this is a very familiar story to us all. Who has not heard about David and Goliath. We even named one of the shipyard cranes, that dominate the harbour skyline, Goliath. For many of us we treat 1 Samuel 17 as a children's story or we apply

the passage to our lives about 'slaying our dragons.' You may have even heard a preacher preach such a sermon with encouraging words to have the faith and courage of David and go slay the 'Goliath in your life!' Whilst that is not a bad word as such it is not the correct understanding of the passage and certainly not the core issue at the heart of the passage.

1 Samuel 17 is in fact about the glory of God and the honour of God's reputation. If you read verses 26, 36, 45 and 47 you will see that David tells us time after time that the Goliath has defied God and God will deliver Goliath in to the hands of David.

If you take the time to read the whole chapter you will grasp the picture of what is happening very easily. David has been sent by his father, Jesse, to his three brothers, Eliab, Abinadab and Shammah, who were with Saul in the valley of Elah fighting the Philistines. As it turns out no one was doing any fighting. The two armies were standing facing one another across a no man's land trading insults. We read that for 40 days Goliath, who stood over 9 feet tall, had taunted the army of Israel and challenged them to send out a champion to meet him in battle. Morning and night he did this, sneering at the army of Israel. No one on the Israelite side were willing to take up the challenge in fact we read in verse 11 that the army of Saul was dismayed and terrified. They were in despair. Saul had tried to induce someone to take up the challenge by offering his daughter in marriage and exemption from paying taxes but no one in the army accepted the challenge.

David arrives, providentially, at the moment that Goliath has come out for his morning taunt of the army of Israel. David is shocked at what he hears. Eliab, his older brother is angry at David and basically scolds him for wanting to see the battle. David ignores him and goes about asking the soldiers will none of them go out and meet this ‘uncircumcised Philistine’ who has defied ‘the army of the living God?’ Here is the key and David has put his finger on it right away. Those present saw a giant who in their eyes was ‘unbeatable’ but David saw a man who was ‘uncircumcised’ and therefore not of the people of God defying the living God and this could not be allowed to go unanswered.

Well, to cut a long chapter short, David is brought before Saul who looks at David and says: “you are too green, inexperienced, to fight such a warrior.” David tells him of his killing a lion, a wolf and a bear that came to take away his father’s lambs. So Saul offers him his armour but David is unable to walk with it on and so discards it.

David walks out across the battlefield stooping at a brook to collect five smooth stones. Goliath is full of vitriol and scorn at such a ‘little boy’ coming to fight him. David lets fly with his slingshot, sending a stone racing at 100-150mph in to the forehead of Goliath and Goliath falls before him. David had told Goliath that God would deliver him in to his hands that day and so it happened.

So what you might think. Nice little story to tell the children but what does it have to do with me or the gospel? Well, it has to do with you because the biggest giant you, and all the world, face is death. It is a giant that looms over all. Its victory seems assured. When David walked out to meet Goliath to all on that battlefield he appeared ill-equipped, ill-prepared and inadequate to defeat Goliath but God was with David and it was God who slew Goliath.

when Jesus came, to the world and especially the religious leaders, he appeared inadequate to be the Saviour. When He hung on the cross it looks to all watching (and those hiding for fear of discovery) that He had lost and that the giant had one. For three days that appeared to be the case but on the morning of the third day God raised Him from the dead and

death, that giant that had loomed over all humanity since Genesis 3, was defeated. The glory of God was restored, the honour of God's Name upheld and the people of God redeemed from the giant, death.

So as you can see that has something to do with all of us today because the giant, death, is still with us but he is now a defeated foe because of Christ Jesus. I meet many people in the course of my pastoral work and everyone of them at some point will die, as will I. Yet the giant, death, does not have to rule over our lives, nor reign in our hearts, nor lead us (like the army of Saul in our reading) to dismay or despair, because Jesus has conquered the grave and with St Paul in 1 Corinthians 15 verses 55-58 we can say:

55 "Where, O death, is your sting?" 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

So today as you read this ask yourself if for you death is a defeated giant because you have placed your faith and trust in Christ Jesus, who for your sake died on the cross and conquered the grave? IF not, then turn to Him now in prayer and ask Him to forgive you your sin and grant you salvation and the gift of eternal life.

yours in Christ
Rev Dr Alan McCann

Vestry Half-Hour

Wednesday 6:30pm – 7:00pm

The Vestry Half-Hour will finish for the summer break on Wed 26th June. If you ever need to speak or pray privately with the rector, Vestry Half-Hour is time set aside by the Rector on a Wednesday evening in the Kerr Room for just this purpose. Please feel free to call in if you have any issues, problems or just want to talk.

Holiday Bible Club Appeal

Our summer Holiday Bible Club this year will take place on the week of 22nd-26th July.

It is called “High Seas” and has a nautical theme running through the programme. If anyone has any nautical items (either authentic or replica) we would be interested perhaps in borrowing them for displays.

So would you like to “come onboard” and join the Holy Trinity crew and sail the seas with us?

We look forward to welcoming back “old” team members, but our invitation is open also to new members. All you need is a love for the Lord and a desire to serve Him in children’s ministry (and an AccessNI certificate which we will help you obtain).

If you would like to join and you’ve never taken part in HBC before why not come this time as an “extra pair of hands” member.? You will not be asked to do any specific job, but just be available to give general support to the children.

Please add your name and details to the forms at the back of the church or have a quiet word with me if you need further info or reassurance. The first planner session will be on Tuesday 11th June at 7.30pm.

Ahoy you landlubbers, let’s hoist the sails and set off into the sunset together!!

God bless
Yvonne Best

P.S. Holiday Bible Club are looking for a male mannequin as part of their display. If anyone has any contacts or ideas where we may obtain one it would be very much appreciated.



Trinity Tots - Toddlers Group

Thursday mornings, 10.30am-12.00pm



Hello everyone, we can hardly believe that it is almost time for our summer holidays but we are looking forward to some special events in June. On Thursday 13th June we are having a collection of items for Carrickfergus Baby Bank- wipes, bath lotion, baby vests, pants and socks to fit boys and girls up to age 5. If any members of the congregation

would like to donate they may give donations to us at any time before this date.

Our last meeting will be on Thursday 27th June and we will be having our Teddy Bear party and sports day.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us this year, it has been very busy and great fun! We wish everyone a very enjoyable summer and hope to see you in September.

God Bless

Lisa,Carolynne and Liz

C.M.S Ireland Used Postage Stamps



Holidays may be approaching but please continue to save your used postage stamps for CMSIreland work in Africa. Money obtained from their sale will help fund various projects involving education, agriculture, commerce, irrigation and church ministry. The stamp box will be sitting in its' usual place on the Church table.

Thanks

Yvonne Best

Alan's Bible Study



Parish Bible Study: Wednesday

**Lunchtime 1pm – 2pm
& Evenings 8pm to 9pm**

Kerr Room

Parish Prayer Time – 7:30pm to 8pm

Kerr Room

Alan's Bible Study will finish for the summer break on Wed 26th June.

STUDY

Bible Study is for everyone – so do not exclude yourself. Come along and enjoy the fellowship together. Come along and be blessed by God as we sit under His Word together and as He fulfils His promise to be present where two or three meet together in His Name.

God bless

Rev Dr Alan McCann

Holy Trinity Bowls Fellowship



Our year is nearing the end. It has been a good year with some new regular faces and you are all very welcome. So I thank each and every one who has attended this year and thank you all for some great bowling and great craic and fellowship.

Hope to see you all back on Thursday 5th September @ 7:30pm.

Remember we are open to all bowlers and all levels, even if you have never bowled before come and have ago.

God Bless

Vic Wootton

FellowshipCafé@ht



Thanks to those who have supported us over the past month.

We have been experiencing some busy Thursdays which obviously means the café can become noisy. For us, that's a good thing. Don't let this put you off as we have

quieter areas where you can enjoy your refreshments and still chat with friends.

Your generosity over this past month has enabled us to support Links Christian Counselling Services and 'Gig for Grayso', an event in memory of our friend Alan Gray, raising funds for CJD Research at the University of Edinburgh.

Plus, of course, we continue to sponsor our two children in Uganda

We plan to remain open during the summer months, so please use this as an opportunity to visit us when you take your annual leave from work.

You can follow us on facebook: Holy Trinity Fellowship Café or The Church website: holytrinitycarrick.org.uk (where you can read our booklet 'THE FIRST FIVE YEARS').

Please continue to support us, both practically and prayerfully. Without your prayers and Gods unending love, grace and mercy our efforts will be in vain.

Yours in Christ
Maurice Langley

God is good † all the time

Select Vestry

If anyone wants an item raised at the Select Vestry please contact:

Marjory Edgar: secretary@holytrinitycarrick.org.uk

Drew Buchanan: treasurer@holytrinitycarrick.org.uk

or any member of SV. This includes booking the church hall for any events.

Marjory Edgar

Secretary

Holy Trinity Youth Club



Having **FUN**, Sharing **FAITH** and making **FRIENDS**.

Now that the first few months of our Youth club have ended I would like to thank everyone for their support, encouragement and most importantly prayers. I really appreciated it. Thank you leaders for keeping me right in what has been a huge learning curve.

Preperation for September 6th starts now so please spread the word. Leaflet's available on the HTYC notice board. Youth club meets Friday nights from 7:00pm – 9:00pm for school years 4,5,6,7 and 8. Registration forms may be downloaded from our facebook page or church website. Please complete and bring along to our registration night Friday August 30th @7:00pm.

Completed forms can be brought on the night if you cannot make the reistration night.

Please like our facebook page “Holy Trinity Woodburn Youth Club” for information and updates.

Keep our youth club in your prayers. Pray for all our ministries that are seeking to share the gospel of Christ with our young people today.

God bless

Jim McNerlan

Prayer Team

Alison Allen, Joan Harvey & Libby Todd



Two members of the Prayer Team will be meeting in the Prayer Room on Sundays after the service to lift your prayer slips. Two members will also be available at the front of the church to pray with you at this time each week. We will rotate in these roles so you will see different faces from week to week. Please do ask if you would prefer prayer in the privacy of the prayer room. The slips will continue to be lifted weekly and on 4 occasions as previously (usually over 4 weeks but may be over a longer period). Therefore, please do continue to make use of our prayer request box situated in the front hall of the church. As always, be assured that information on the slips remains confidential. We would encourage you to complete a prayer slip after you have attended for prayer so that we can continue to pray for your situation when we meet together.

If you would be interested in being part of the prayer team we ask that you consider this and know that we would dearly love to have your support. Please do approach one of us.

Libby Todd

On behalf of the prayer team

Social Services

Please continue to place donations of **unopened** non-perishable food, household and personal products in the red boxes in the church foyer. Social Services will distribute donated items to those in need within our community.

Thank you for your continued support.

Elaine Gray

Storehouse



On behalf of Storehouse I would like to thank you for your generosity over the past number of years, your support has been amazing and has made a huge difference in our community.

Due to a decrease in referrals, Storehouse will no longer be accepting donations of food and household/personal products, but will continue their focus on FURNITURE. If you have items of unwanted furniture, please contact me to arrange a collection.

Donna Harrison

Meet & Greet Team Rota June 2019



2nd June	Fred Shasko	Fiona Shasko	Karen Buchanan
9th June	Eva Dunn	Eleanor Steele	Yvonne Best
16th June	Joanne Hunter	Donna Harrison	Laura Kerr
23rd June	Liz Adair	Carol Marshall	Helen McQuitty
30th June	Maureen Lunn	Sue Majury	Sharon McNeill

Karen Buchanan

The Cookery Nook



**THE
COOKERY NOOK**
Holy Trinity Church, Woodburn

**We are running a
FREE
8 week cookery course
for young parents,
teaching how to cook**

**HEALTHY MEALS
FOR YOU AND
YOUR FAMILY**

**The course will run from
Wednesday 1st May
to
Wednesday 19th June
11.00am to 1.30pm**

**Lunch will be provided
Creche available**

**Please contact Joanne Hunter for details:
Mobile No: 07827 817724
e-mail: mjosie@live.co.uk**

Counters Rota



Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Simon McDonald	Olga Grange	Mark Edgar	David Sprott	Karen Buchanan	Carol Ervine
Ann Richmond	Peter Moffett	Elaine Gray	Helen Wootton	Sharon McNeil	Nadine Lamont
Ann McDonald	Alison Moffett	Marjory Edgar	Margaret Addley	Joanne Shimmon	Naomi Lamont
	Arlene Macartney	Graeme Hunter			

Team	Dates			
1	2 nd Jun	14 th Jul	25 th Aug	6 th Oct
2	9 th Jun	21 st Jul	1 st Sept	13 th Oct
3	16 th Jun	28 th Jul	8 th Sept	20 th Oct
4	23 rd Jun	4 th Aug	15 th Sept	27 th Oct
5	30 th Jun	11 th Aug	22 nd Sept	3 rd Nov
6	7 th Jul	18 th Aug	29 th Sept	10 th Nov

Drew Buchanan MBE - Hon Treasurer

Announcements



If you have any information you wish to pass to the congregation via the data projector, please e-mail it to Marjory Edgar at:

announcements@holytrinitycarrick.org.uk
by the **Friday** afternoon of each week.

Creche Rota – June 2019

2nd June	Wenda Gray	Sharon McNeill
9th June	Maureen Lunn	Adrienne Tasker
16th June	Helen Fittis	Lisa McCusker
23rd June	<i>No Creche</i>	
30th June	Arlene Macartney	Jenna Macartney



Hi Everyone!

If you can, please swap with someone else on the rota if you are unable to cover your day. A BIG thank you to everyone who helps and if you would like to be on the rota or wish to change your week please speak to me or ring / text me on 07791527507.

Creche is a safe supervised place, where you can leave your child/children to play and learn, while you enjoy the service.

All staff are police checked (Access NI.)

Could we please ask parents to trust us with your child/children when you leave them with us at Creche on a Sunday morning. We will come and get you if your child is unsettled.

Some parents staying is unsettling for other children.

So leave them with us, go enjoy the service and receive your BIG hug from your child/children when you return to collect them.

Arlene Macartney

Tea & Coffee Rota June 2019



02 Jun	Gwen Wilson	Jennifer Hamilton	Eva Dunn
09 Jun	Sue Majury	Avril Waller	Carolynne Lafferty
16 Jun	Joanne Hunter	Nadine Lamont	Naomi Lamont
23 Jun	Karen Buchanan	Vic Wootton	Drew Buchanan
30 Jun	Arlene Macartney	Alison Moffett	Peter Moffett

Anne Calvert

Holy Trinity Chair Rota – June 2019

Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5
James Beattie	Dougie Hempton	Graeme Hunter	Phil Moody	John Fittis
Kel McDermott	Bill Lunney	Jim McNerlan	Eddie Orr	Daniel Lafferty
Colin McIlwaine	Fred Shasko	Bert Macartney	David Sprott	Peter Moffett
Garry Richmond	Simon McDonald	Maurice Langley		Mark Taylor
				John Fittis Jr

Team	Dates			
1	2 nd Jun	7 th Jul	4 th Aug	1 st Sept
2	9 th Jun	14 th Jul	11 th Aug	8 th Sept
3	16 th Jun	21 st Jul	18 th Aug	15 th Sept
4	23 rd Jun	28 th Jul	25 th Aug	22 nd Sept
5	30 th Jun			29 th Sept



Please note: if you are unable to meet your commitment, please change with a member of another team. Please be there for 9.30 am and set out the chairs and set out the Sanctuary. After the service, put the chairs away and tidy the hall.

Thank you
Simon McDonald

Avril Waller Pilates



The Holy Trinity class is every Thursday from 10-11.00am in the main hall and then we go to the “Fellowship Cafe” upstairs. Pilates is to help you maintain your body, improve your posture, tighten those abs, strengthen your back, increase your breathing capacity and applies to both MEN and WOMEN. The cost is £6.50, pay as you go. Bring a thick mat, a small towel and wear comfortable clothes that you can easily move in. I look forward to seeing you and if you have any concerns, give me a ring on: 9335 5129 or 077738 99905 or email me at:avrilwaller@talktalk.net

Please note the last class before the summer break will be Thursday 29th June 2019.

I look forward to welcoming you and if you are nervous, you will soon be put at your ease with all my lovely ladies

Avril Waller, Pilates

Uplift

The poster features a dark background with a row of four bright spotlights at the top. The word 'uplift' is in the top left, and 'MAC THE MAC LIVE .COM' is in the top right. The main title 'BROADWAY TO BELFAST' is in large, glowing marquee letters. Below it are five star-shaped images showing various performers. The event details are in a stylized font: 'THE MAC BELFAST', 'SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST 2019', 'SHOWS AT 2.30PM & 7.30PM', and 'TICKETS ONLINE: WWW.THEMACLIVE.COM'. At the bottom, there are four stars with social media icons and the website 'WeAreUplift.com'. A white line-art cityscape is at the very bottom.

website: www.weareuplift.com, Email: info@weareuplift.com,
mobile: 07840453723

Ryan Moffett Creative and Production Director

Jokes of the Month

What do you get from nervous cows? Milk shakes.

Why do Tigers eat raw meat? Because they can't cook.

What do you call a dinosaur with high heels? My-feet-are-saurus.

What's the best way to win a race? Run faster than everybody else.

How do you use an Egyptian doorbell? Toot-and-come-in.

Why did the teacher wear sunglasses? Because she had such a bright class.

There are three kinds of people in the world. Those who can count and those who can't.

Two Indian drug addicts were caught sniffing curry powder. Both are now in hospital. One with a dodgy Tikka and the others in a Korma.

Doctor, Doctor, I have a hoarse throat. The resemblance doesn't end there.

Doctor, Doctor, Some days I feel like I'm a Tee-pee and other days I feel like I'm a wigwam. Try and relax your two tents.

The first time I got a universal remote control, I thought to myself. "This changes everything."

Saw a sign that said "watch for children" and I thought, "That sounds like a fair trade."

I refused to believe my road worker father was stealing from his job, but when I got home, all the signs were there.

I recently decided to sell my vacuum cleaner, all it was doing was gathering dust

Whiteboards are remarkable.

I was at an ATM and this old lady asked me to help check her balance, so I pushed her over.

God Bless
Vic Wootton

Services – June 2019

Date	Reading Number	Reader	Title & Prayer Leader	Book	Chapter & Verses
2 June 2019	1st Reading	Joan Cummings	HC	Jonah	Chapter 4 verses 1 - 11
	2nd Reading	Rev Alan McCann	Prayers Kel McDermott	Luke	Chapter 7 verses 36 - 50
9 June 2019	1st Reading	Stephen McLaughlin	MP	Nahum	Chapter 1 verses 1 - 15
	2nd Reading	Rebecca Moody	Prayers Rev Alan McCann	Nahum	Chapter 2 verses 1 - 13
16 June 2019	1st Reading	Avril Waller	MP	Nahum	Chapter 3 verses 1 - 9
	2nd Reading	Fiona Moody	Prayers Ryan Moffett	Nahum	Chapter 3 verses 10 - 19
23 June 2019	1st Reading	Lorraine Ross	Family Service Gideon	Judges	Chapter 7 verses 1 - 14
	2nd Reading	Helen Wootton	Prayers Maurice Langley	Judges	Chapter 7 verses 15 - 25
30 June 2019	_____	_____	Testimony Sunday	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Colin McIlwaine