



Clontarf & Scots Newsletter



August 2011

Message from our Minister

Youth For Christ Project 32

This July we had a team of young adults come down from Northern Ireland to work with children and teens from our congregation and the Methodist church. The morning club in Clontarf did not have any children (disappointing but not a surprise and several things need to be organized differently in the future) but we had a very busy time in Skerries and a number of our teens and young adults got to spend time with the team.

Laura Maybury who used to attend the Clontarf children clubs, years ago as a child, spoke to the team about the lasting impact this had on her life and reminded me of how important this ministry can be.

I understand from the elders that in the past, over one week every summer for many years, hundreds of Clontarf children and teens were involved in clubs and activities. Next year, with changes to our preparation and logistics and with the new building in place we will be building on this year to take a ministry to the local children and teens again.



Our thanks to all those who cooked, baked and supported this ministry this year.

Lorraine

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Announcements

On Sunday 24 July 2011 we had the joy of celebrating the baptism of Holly Ciara Fitzgerald Bailey.

Jesus said: Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them. Mark 10:14-16

Minister	Session Clerk	Deputy Session Clerk
Rev. Lorraine Kennedy -Ritchie The Manse 48 Kincora Grove Clontarf, D3 (01 833 2588)	Hugh Borland Woodlands Limekiln Lane Saint Doulagh's Fingal, D17 (01 867 2247)	Myrtle Bailey 16 Rosedale Mill Farm Dunboyne Co. Meath (01 825 5297)



Back Page Stuff

Congregational Dates for August 2011

7	Morning Service, 11:00 Mr David Boyd
9	Congregational Committee, 20:00 Vestry
14	Morning Service, 11:00 Rev Jim Carson.
21	Morning Service, 11:00 Rev. Lorraine Kennedy-Ritchie
28	Morning Service, 11:00 Rev. Lorraine Kennedy-Ritchie
30	Kirk Session, 20:00, Vestry

Early Notification of Dates for September 2011.

4	Morning Service, 11:00 Rev. Lorraine Kennedy-Ritchie
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Hospitality Team

The following have been elected to the hospitality team:

Elaine Adams
 Flo Blythman
 Noelene Brown
 Jennifer Collins
 Margaret Conologue
 Helen Dawkins
 Hilary Fairman
 Marina Finlay
 Betty Jamieson
 Ashley O'Neill
 Carolyn O'Neill
 Samuel Ritchie
 Linda Weekes
 Camilla Wemyss

I look forward to swopping secret tray bake recipes with you all.

Building Project - an update.



Lots of activity in July with holes, foundations and bricks being laid - then nothing. The builders have been on holiday for two weeks but will soon start up again.

I am still trying to set up a few dedicated pages on the website with weekly photos of how the site is developing.

Editor

Freewill Offering News.

The amount contributed through the FWO scheme for the period January to June 2011 is €28 328.90. This compares to €29 185.80 for the same period in 2010.

Again thank you for your continued support.

Charlie Porter - FWO Secretary

Reverend Dr. John Stott

The Reverend Dr John Stott has died at the age of 90.

Dr Stott died at his retirement home at St Barnabas College at 3.15pm on Wednesday 27th July 2011 surrounded by close friends.

Stott will be remembered as one of the pioneers of the 20th century evangelical movement and was one of the main authors of the Lausanne Covenant in 1974. He was the author of more than 40 books, including his most famous "*Basic Christianity*", which sold more than two million copies and has been translated into over 60 languages.

BBC Religious Affairs Correspondent, Robert Pigott said Dr Stott was good at simply expressing "*the complexities of theology*". He played a critical role as a Christian thinker, helping to revive evangelicalism in England after World War II at a time when this traditionalist Protestant branch of Christianity had lost almost all its influence and its followers were widely derided as uneducated.

Editor

Thank you to all contributors to this months newsletter - If you have something for inclusion in the September newsletter, then don't hesitate to contact me on my email address - the deadline is the 29 August 2011. (samuel@atlanticisle.com).

The Editor