

## **Churches and Chapels**

#### of the Hundred of Dublin including Lower Light

### **Church Service Windsor Uniting Church**

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020

The Dublin History Group Inc. members were finally able to present their Churches and Chapels event and displays last weekend. It was to be part of the SA History Festival in May but with COVID - 19 concerns, the event was put it on hold. We decided to move forward as restrictions eased, so on Sunday 2nd August in conjunction with the Windsor Uniting Church, we coordinated a display at the Church Service. This Windsor Uniting Church has the distinction of being the only church we were researching that has had continual worship since it's opening in 1873 and the only Methodist Church to become a Uniting Church in 1977. All others had closed and some had already been pulled down by that time. So, in this lovely 147-year-old church, Reverend Collin Heslop lead us in a wonderful service and touched upon the closing of the local churches over the years and the variety of reasons that contributed to it. After the service we enjoyed a morning tea, looking at the display and sharing the memories it invoked.



Rev. Col Heslop Sunday morning service





Left : Interior of Windsor Uniting Church Above: Some of the display

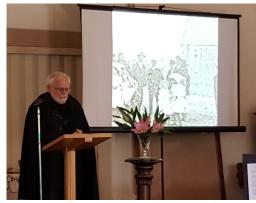


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### From Christening to Funerals Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at Dublin Institute



Sunday 9th August, the Dublin History Group's event "From Christening to Funerals" took place at the Dublin Institute. The President, Mr Philip Brow being the MC for the afternoon, welcomed everyone and introduced the first of our four guest speakers.

Lois Wasley spoke on the Lower Light Methodist Church who then touched upon wedding etiquette from the past.

Gwen Secomb with a light hearted look at the Windsor Methodist/Uniting Church came next.

Father Bart O'Donovan on Dublin's Christ Church

Followed by Father Bart O'Donovan who

was given the challenge of presenting research on Dublin's Church of England Christ Church having only held services from 1886 to 1910, but he did an admirable job filling out its story.

Finally, Andrea Brow presented a touch of history of the Dublin Methodist Church and the idiosyncrasy of living in a former church. During the afternoon our research folders of the eight Churches and chapels and also

wedding photos from



Gwen Secomb on Windsor Methodist/Uniting Church



Lois Wasley (above) brought along the Wasley Christening Gown worn by many Wasleys, including our current Mayor, it was really beautiful

those churches were browsed through and display items discussed.

If you missed the display, it will be available to view and browse through the folders for the next few months, so look on our Facebook page and website for those dates and times. Remember our research is ongoing and you can always add to the stories of our past.

