



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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Sunday 11th March 2018

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

(Mothering Sunday) John 15:5,9-12 & 1 John 3:1,4:21

8.30am Holy Communion in **Christ Church**

10.00am Family Service in **Christ Church**

11.30am Family Service in **St John's**

6.00pm Worship & Word in **St John's**

(Prayer Ministry after both Morning Services)

Sunday 18th March 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Revd Jonny Campbell- Smyth

Words of Victory John 19:25-30 & Colossians 2:9-15

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

11.30am Morning Prayer in **St John's**

(Prayer Ministry after both Morning Services)

Please join us tonight for Worship & Word in St John's at 6.00pm. Worship will be led by Steven Johnston, our guest speaker will be Michelle Baird from Women's Aid who will be raising our awareness of Domestic Violence.

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Fiona Thompson after recent surgery
- Olwen Purdue after recent minor surgery.
- Albert & Eileen Green recovering at home.
- Muriel Reid recovering at home from a minor stroke.
- Stewart Armstrong awaiting surgery.
- Margaret McDowell recovering in Joymount Nursing Home. Margaret's granddaughter Laura Hay recently died, please pray for Margaret and the wider family circle.
- William Graham recovering after time in hospital.
- Walter Stewart in Antrim Hospital.
- Marion Robinson In Inver House.
- Patricia Johnston in Broadways Nursing Home.
- Family of the late Kathleen Stavely.

******PARISH WEEKEND AWAY (13th-15th April)******

Already lots of interest being shown in our weekend away. Far too much information to squeeze into a small box. The theme is "We are Family". We have Rev Dr Heather Morris, Jill Hamilton & Christina Baillie joining us – something for all the family. Brochures available at the back of Church, Web Site or the Office. **The Revd John Bond will be celebrating Holy Communion with us on the Sunday Morning. If we could get the applications in along with deposits as soon as possible so we can firm up the numbers.**

REGISTER OF VESTRY MEMBERS

Is open for review. This includes reviewing if you name is already on the register, if the details we hold are correct, if entries need to be removed or you wish to be added to the register. If you wish to review the register it will be available at the Church Office. The register will be reviewed on Tuesday 13th March at 7.30pm. The annual Easter Vestry will be held on **Wednesday 18th April in Christ Church Parish Hall at 7.30pm.**



ST PATRICK'S EVENING

CEILI DANCE & STEW

Fun for all the family

Free

Special Guests Albanagh

**St John's Halls, Doagh Road
Saturday 17th March 7pm**



MIDWEEK COMMUNION DURING LENT

Please come and join us for a time of fellowship & reflection.

During Lent we will not be having our normal midweek bible studies. Instead we will meet at 12.00 noon for Communion which will include a Lenten Reflection. No lunch after the Service.

24/7 Week of Prayer 2018 is March 12th – 18th

Venue - same as last year – 46 - 48 Main Street Ballyclare
Theme – Praying for Our Town - Its Businesses, Authorities, Families,
Youth, Health, Church Leaders and Ministers and Ourselves
Please pop in during the day.

Please consider signing up with a buddy to host the room or to be a
night-time pray-er.

For more information please contact Marion in St John's.

Join in the cross walk each night, Monday to Friday. We will be walking from one of the host churches to the prayer room to meet with the others at 7pm, Meeting at 6.30pm at:

**Monday night at Ballyclare Methodist;
Tuesday night at River of Life;
Wednesday night at Ballyclare Presbyterian;
Thursday night at GBYFC;
Friday night at St John's Church of Ireland.**

GOOD FRIDAY HOT CROSS BUN & EASTER EGG OUTREACH



This year we are doing our Community outreach
on **Good Friday**.

Friday 30th March 2018

We need a few volunteers, so if you have a few free hours on Good Friday we are planning to meet at St John's Church hall from 10.00am until approx. 12.30pm.

Easter Services

Monday 26th	Youth & Uniform Service	7.00pm	St John's
Wednesday 28th	Mid Week Reflection	7.30pm	Christ Church
Friday 30th	Good Friday Service	7.30pm	St John's
Sunday 1st April	Easter Dawn Service	7.00am	St Augustine's
Sunday 1st April	Easter Celebration	10.00am	Christ Church
Sunday 1st April	Easter Celebration	11.30am	St John's

Fellowship Circle & Friends, Thursday 29th March, Holy Communion in Christ Church followed by Lunch in Tullyglass Hotel (£15.00). List circulating in both Christ Church & St John's, or contact Sophie or David in office.

RURAL DEANERY MIDWEEK SERVICES

Theme this year **“A Cruise around the Mediterranean, looking at the letters of St Paul”**

Wednesday 14th March

Antrim Parish

Wednesday 21st March

St Patrick's, Park Hill Rd. Antrim

ALL SERVICES START AT 7.30PM.

BOUNDARY CHANGES: We have had to make a few changes to our Vestry Register to reflect the correct Parish Boundary. It is a simple change, depending on address, members will be designated as **“Accustomed”** or **“Resident”**. No further action is required, if you would like to know about it in more detail please contact the office.

GAFCON IRELAND

The GAFCON movement (Global Anglican Future Conference) is a global family of authentic Anglicans standing together to retain and restore the Bible to the heart of the Anglican Communion.

The GAFCON journey began in 2008 when moral compromise, doctrinal error and the collapse of biblical witness in parts of the Anglican communion had reached such a level that the leaders of the majority of the world's Anglicans felt it was necessary to take a united stand for truth. For more information on GAFCON, visit <https://www.gafcon.org>. GAFCON Ireland is now being established to ensure local Church of Ireland parishes guard and proclaim the unchanging, transforming Gospel through biblically faithful preaching and teaching.

Revd Jonny and other GAFCON members are inviting parishioners of their local churches to come to the Waterfront Exhibition Hall in Belfast on the 21st April to support the launch and hear more about GAFCON Ireland. The day will include input from Greg Venables, the presiding Bishop for the Province of South America, Peter Jensen, former Archbishop of Sydney and Vaughan Roberts, Rector of St Ebbe's Church, Oxford.

Lunch for everyone is included free of charge. Entry is by free ticket only, to register please go to launch_gafconireland.eventbrite.co.uk

