



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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Sunday 6th May 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

Waiting on the Lord 1 Samuel 3:1-10 & John 10:1-5

10.00am Holy Communion in **Christ Church**

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

(If you didn't get a copy of the Vision Booklet by collection, post or email some additional copies are available in Church this morning.)

Wednesday 9th May 2018

12.00 Holy Communion in **St John's**

Sunday 13th May 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

Pledge Sunday—A generous God

1 Chronicles 29:10-20 & 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

8.30am Holy Communion in **Christ Church**

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

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

7.00pm Healing Service in **St John's**

Wednesday 16th May 2018

12.00 Holy Communion in **St John's**

Sunday 20th May 2018

Day of Pentecost

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

The Bible is our Compass Psalm 119:105-112

10.00am Family Service in **Christ Church**

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

(Remember our Family Lunch in St John's after the Morning Service.)

Members of the Prayer Ministry Team are available at all our Services.

MID WEEK COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY.

Bible Study at 11.00am followed by Holy Communion at 12.00. Revd Jonny is leading the first few Bible Studies on the early Church at Antioch. Rather than preparing lunch we have tea & coffee and a few biscuits after communion.

You can come to both the Bible Study & Communion or either.

ST JOHN'S CLEANING

In light of us not having a cleaner, volunteers are required for approximately 2 hours per week to do a bit of cleaning & tidying up in St John's. The Vestry will be reviewing the vacancy and it is envisaged that this cleaning will run from May–September. **A sign up sheet is going round St John's this morning, if you can help please add your name, a rota will then appear at the back of Church.**

KEEP IN TOUCH- if you have changed your email address, mobile phone number, need a visit etc. please complete one of the “ Staying in Touch” cards in the pews or contact the Revd Jonny on 07808479649 or David in the Church Office on 93354814.

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB..... “ LIMITLESS”

Great news we are having one this summer during August. A planning meeting has been organised for **Tuesday 15th May at 7.30pm in St John's Hall. Exciting times, the theme is “Limitless” and we will be partnering with New Wine.** If you are interested in helping out in any way please pop along. For more information please contact Revd Jonny or the Church Office.



No Notice sheet will be produced next week due to Bank Holiday and General Synod. Urgent information will be up on the web site or Facebook page.

UNITED PARISH VISION & PLEDGE SUNDAY

During the last week you should have received a booklet on the Parish Vision. If you haven't received a hard copy or one by email these are available at the back of both Churches, from the Wardens and the Church Office.

In order to give us all a time to pray and reflect we will be having a special Pledge Sunday on **Sunday 13th May** when we will have the opportunity to return completed pledge forms.

The pledge on the card is in addition to what you already give. For example if you currently give £50 per month and would like to give an additional £25 for the new vision then insert £25.

This is such an exciting time for the Parish as we live out the Lord's purpose for the Parish and Community.
If you wish to discuss any aspect of the vision please do not hesitate to contact Revd Jonny.

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Wesley Lamont as he continues his treatment.
- Carol, Dean & Caitlin on the birth of new daughter, Erin
- Edward Rogers & family on the death of Ed's wife Pearl.
- Marion Robinson in Abbeylands Care Home.
- June Boyd as she recovers from surgery.
- Wilma McMaster currently in hospital.
- Ken, Simon & Linda and the wider family circle on the death of Beth Bradbury
- Students and young folk in the Parish as they prepare for GCSE, A/S & A Levels along with those sitting important university exams.
- Please pray for our local Street Pastors, especially George McMillan, Jonny & Alison recently commissioned to carry out the work in the local community.

HEALING SERVICES: We will be having a regular Healing Service in the United Parish once a month on the second Sunday. The first one will be in **St John's** on **13th May** and in **Christ Church** on the **10th June, both at 7.00pm**

UCB BIBLE NOTES NOW AVAILABLE

This quarters bible notes “The Word For Today” & “Word For You” are **now available in the stand at the back of St John’s and also in Christ Church.** These notes are a wonderful aid for Bible Study & Daily Reflection. They are so easy to follow and read and free!

UCB are also having a coffee morning & cake sale on **Saturday 12th May 2018 in Carrickfergus Memorial Hall** beside the Fire Station from **10.00am– 12.30pm** . Everyone will be made most welcome and admission is free. All refreshments will be free, all monies raised from cake sale & crafts will go towards UCB .

Some dates for the diary,

Tuesday 8th May at 7.00pm Brownies & Guides Parents Night in St John’s

Thursday 10th– 12th May, General Synod, Armagh City Hotel. The Church Office will be closed both Thursday & Friday of that week.

Sunday 13th May, Evening Healing Service in St John’s at 7.00pm

Christian Aid Week 13th –19th May, envelopes will be in the pews on **Sunday 13th** to be collected on **Sunday 20th May**.

Sunday 20th May, Fund Raising lunch in St John’s for Emily Brannigan & Lauren Hilman who are both going overseas this summer with the Diocese of Down & Dromore & SAMS.

Sunday 17th June, Fathers Day Services,

Sunday 24th June, Sunday School Prize Giving and Family Fun Day at the Rectory.

CONFIRMATION: If you are interested in getting prepared for confirmation (Adults or Children) or finding out more about what it all means please contact Revd Jonny. A Guide on **“Beginning A New Life– A Guide to Confirmation”** is available at the back of both Christ Church & St John’s.

Street Pastors– The annual report and Accounts for Street Pastors is available at the back of both Churches. As you know we partner with Street Pastors, please remember the work that they do in our prayers.