



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

Office open 9.30am-12.30pm Mon.-Fri. Tel 93354814

www.theunitedparish.org.uk

Sunday 19th August 2018

Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

Ephesians 5:15-20 & John 6:51-58

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

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

Sunday 26th August 2018

Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

Ephesians 6:10-18 & John 6:56-59

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

11.30am Holy Communion in **St John's**

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Leslie & Margaret Parkinson on the recent death of Leslie's brother.
- Claire Burns & Jeremy Yacoub as they travel to Canada and start married life together.
- Anne Magee at home awaiting dialysis
- Etta Wilson at home after recent hospitalisation.
- Sam Crawford after recent injury.
- May Hayes recently admitted to Antrim Hospital.
- David Livingston recovering in Whiteabbey hospital.
- Marion & Will McCallion as Marion cares for her mum at home.
- Adrienne Heaney under going treatment.
- Cornett family, member of the family awaiting surgery.
- Deaconess Michelle Purdy (Ballyclare Presbyterian) receiving treatment for cancer.
- Young Adults as they receive A Levels and prepare for the next chapter in their lives.
- The Interview panel as they discern God's will for the new post of Families, Youth & Children's Associate.

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB..... “ LIMITLESS”



Our Holiday Bible Club is starting this week. The Church Hall in St John's has been transformed. Monday– Friday **10.30am-12.30pm**. For children going into P1 and up to those going into P7. **Our theme is “Limitless” looking at characters in Charlie & The Chocolate Factory and we will be partnering with New Wine.**

On the Friday we are serving hot dogs and juice to the kids & parents– if you can help please contact Revd Jonny, David or Jeannie Lynd asap.

Christ Church Weekly Intercessions - I'd like to encourage more lay involvement in our Sunday worship. One way of doing this is by leading the prayers of intercession. If you would like to do this on occasions, please get in touch with me. I'm happy to provide as much guidance and resources to help. **Revd Jonny.**

St Johns - Back to School Sunday 2nd September

We would love to know what folk have been doing over the summer holidays, so on Sunday 2nd September we'd like you to send us (email) a picture of your holidays or an event that you attended. Also in the email tell us where the picture is from. This is also the first Sunday back after Summer so we will be hearing from various people who have been serving God over the summer in mission teams. What a wonderful way to start the new term by worshipping and sharing together– **we will have a great gift for all our children in both Christ Church & St John's**

St John's - We are planning to develop our hospitality in St John's again from early September providing we can get enough helpers. We would like folk to help on a Sunday morning serving refreshments from 10.45am at the back of Church. This is an ideal way for fellowship, sharing and welcoming people into our Church family. If you are interested in helping please contact Revd Jonny or David asap.

UCB BIBLE NOTES– new edition covering the Autumn now in the stand at the back of St John's or from the Wardens in Christ Church. A different version is available for both adults & teenagers & free!

STAYING IN TOUCH CARDS IN THE PEWS– In recent months Revd Jonny has not been informed about folk going into hospital or requiring pastoral care. Important to let us know if your personal details have changed or if you know of others that might require help.

SUNDAY SERMONS

Revd Jonny's Sermons are available on Facebook and the website. We also make them available in printed format or by email. If you would like a copy for yourself or for housebound folk please let either Revd Jonny or David know.

CRISIS PRAYER LINE

Praying God's peace and healing for people facing challenging circumstances can bring much comfort. Therefore we are setting up a **Crisis Prayer Line**. This allows people in the parish who are willing to pray, to receive text messages to their mobile phones on specific issues that individuals have asked prayer for. All requests for prayer would be on first name terms so as to provide anonymity. If you would like to be part of a group that prays for different situations please let Alison Campbell-Smyth (07973 709261) or the Parish Office know, and you will be added to the list to receive text messages when people ask for prayer. More details of how people can request prayer for situations will be communicated at the start of September.



SMALL GROUPS (Everyone Invited!)

Church is more than just a Sunday, it is the people gathering. Meeting in small groups provides encouragement and growth to God's people in their daily lives. We would love to grow these, and even develop new groups. Please make this a priority in your busy schedules. We will commence with an all-together night in **St John's on Tuesday 11th September at 7.30pm.** where Revd Jonny will explain more about the term ahead and provide teaching.

MID WEEK COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY.

Wednesday morning Bible Study & Communion will start up again in September. **Holy Communion** will start on **Wednesday 5th September at 12.00 noon** followed by tea, coffee and a chat. Bible Study will recommence a week later on **Wednesday 12th September at 11.00am**, Revd Jonny will be leading the first few sessions.

HEALING SERVICES— As you know we hold Healing Services on the Second Sunday of each month in both Christ Church & St John's. This month Revd Bro. David Jardine will be speaking to us at **7.00pm in St John's on Sunday 9th September.**

WEEK OF PRAYER IN CHRIST CHURCH & ST JOHN'S

As you know its important to start every new term with prayer. We will be having this week from **Monday 3rd September—Friday 7th September** starting in St John's at 7.30pm. Every night will be prayer on a different theme—please try and join us in either Church. The Friday night will be at home when we will have an opportunity to reflect and pray with our families or individually.

WORK ON CHRIST CHURCH HALL— The hall will not be available for routine use for the month of August., the new kitchen is going to be fitted mid–September. A temporary portaloos will be in place behind the hall if needed during church services.

As part of the kitchen refurbishment we have available a large fridge, gas hob, & electric oven. If you are interested in any of these items please contact Jeannie or Errol .

NOTES