



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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Sunday 16th September 2018

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

A Church Community That Speaks Into A New Generation

Psalm 78:1-7 & 1 Timothy 4:7-16

Revd Jim Stewart & Andrew Brannigan

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

Michael Ogilby & Andrew Brannigan

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

Sunday 23rd September 2018

Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

A Church Community That Goes Deeper In Gods Word

Psalm 1 & Hebrews 5:11-6:12

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

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

Revd Jonny on leave from 13th-17th September– Emergency Pastoral
Cover being provided by Revd Peter Jones from Mossley,
Tel:07921 835012

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Anne Magee at home awaiting dialysis
- Catherine Sheldon in cancer unit Belfast City Hospital.
- May Hayes recovering in Whiteabbey Hospital
- David Livingston recovering in Clonmore House, Rathcoole.
- The Heaney Family, Adrienne Heaney at home dealing with serious illness.
- Cornett family, member of the family awaiting surgery.
- Deaconess Michelle Purdy (Ballyclare Presbyterian) receiving treatment for cancer.
- Give thanks to God for the birth of a new son Logan to Rory & Claire Henderson.
- The Interview panel & Vestry as they discern God's will for the new post of Families, Youth & Children's Associate.
- Thank God for the safe arrival of new grandson for Peter & Catherine Watson.

HARVEST DATES

Friday 12th October Harvest Supper in Christ Church

Guest Preacher Revd Colin McConaghie

Sunday 14th October Harvest Sunday in both Christ Church (10.00am) & St John's (11.30am)

Monday 15th October Distribution of Harvest, meeting at Christ Church 10.00am.



Afternoon Tea in Aid of MacMillan Cancer Support

Saturday 22nd September

St John's Church Hall

Ballyclare

2pm-5pm



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.

All requests for prayer should either be texted or phoned to Alison on 07519 805789. These prayer requests will be passed on to a dedicated prayer team who will commit to praying for the next week. Should you wish further updates for prayer, please phone or text again.

*******Don't forget to collect a prayer card in Church to keep in purse or wallet******



CHRIST CHURCH HALL

Work is still continuing on Christ Church Hall– it is envisaged that work will be completed for Sunday 23rd September. Please contact Peter Watson for more details.

MOTHERS UNION

Mothers' Union will be recommencing on 24th Sept when Noreen Reid will be giving us an inspiring Esther Experience. The meeting will be as usual in Ballynure Hall. We would also welcome any new members to our branch so why don't you come and enjoy our fellowship. We would love to see you there.

Advance notice for our October meeting, we are paying a visit to the War Years Remembered exhibition in Ballyclare. There will be charge of £8 for this meeting. I will give you more details at our next meeting.

Hilary [93340080](tel:93340080)

MID WEEK COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY IN ST JOHN'S

What do you do on a Wednesday morning?

New season has started. Join us for Bible Study at 11.00am, Holy Communion at 12.00 noon followed by tea, coffee and a chat. Don't feel any pressure to come to both– do whatever suits you. During the month of September Revd Jonny will be teaching on the Holy Spirit– a fascinating discussion topic.

HOSPITALITY IN ST JOHN'S– We are planning to get this going again asap. At the minute we have a few volunteers but need a few more. We would like some folk to help on a Sunday morning serving refreshments from 10.45am at the back of Church/ Entrance Porch. 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.

SMALL GROUPS

The launch of small groups happened last Tuesday. Existing groups are running and more will follow. Leaflets at the back of both Churches...please consider joining “a small group”.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP– What an exciting programme!!

Years 8 to 12– What else would you do on a Sunday night??

7.00pm to 8.30pm in St John's Church Hall.

Leaflets at back of Church, for more info contact Brandy on 07950 846621.

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.

BLYTHSWOOD-Shoe box appeal for 2018 is about to launch.

At the back of my mind someone in our congregation offered to coordinate this task in both St John's & Christ Church. If you are interested please contact David asap. Many thanks.

THANK YOU FROM EMILY BRANNIGAN-Dear St. John's folk! Thank you so much for all your prayers and support for me on my mission trip to New York State in the summer. It was one of the best experiences of my life and I have learnt so much through it. I made so many good friends and it really helped improve my confidence in what I do. I know that the experiences I had at camp will stay with me for a long time and I wouldn't have been able to do it without help from everyone. I worked as a day-camp volunteer with primary school aged children as they did lots of different activities and learnt about Jesus more. I even got to travel with them on a yellow school bus, just like the movies! It was an amazing experience, thank you, Emily.

RAISING LIFE READY KIDS-Parenting Conference 5-6 October 2018, with Michael Anderson (Licensed Psychologist. Spent 30years studying the way kids grow up) & Tim Johanson (Paediatrician with 23 years experience with a deep commitment to Children's health & well being. Glenabbey Church Friday 7pm-8.30pm & Saturday 9.30pm-3.00pm cost £10 including lunch.

Keep an eye out on the Facebook page, web site and notice sheet, lots of events happening in Autumn, Ladies Pamper Night, Clay Pigeon Shoot, Men's Curry Night, CAP Course, Safe Church Sunday.....these are just a starter for 10!!