



# THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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## **Sunday 14th January 2018**

**“Healing in Practice” Revd Jonny & John Wilson**

**Matthew 10:1-8 & Acts 3:1-16**

**2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

8.30am Holy Communion in **Christ Church**

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

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

(Prayer Ministry after Morning Service)

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

## **Sunday 21st January 2018**

**“When Healing doesn't happen” Revd Jonny**

**Luke 17:20-25 & Luke 18:1-8a**

**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

10.00am Family Service in **Christ Church**

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

(Prayer Ministry after Morning Worship)

### **Please pray for:-**

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Dennis & Dorothy Licence and family circle on the recent loss of mum, granny and great granny Ella. Ella recently celebrated her 100th Birthday and had been a very faithful member of the United Parish & Mothers Union.
- The Matthews family circle on the sudden death of Tommy. A Service of Thanksgiving was held in St John's on Thursday (11th).
- Patricia Johnston in Antrim Care Home.
- Matt Stewart in Antrim hospital.
- Madge McCourt at home.
- Pearl Rodgers returning home from hospital.
- Barbara Bankhead as she continues treatment.
- Derek McLain recently returned home from long stay in Hospital.
- Winston Jenkins recently admitted to Mater Hospital.
- Ina McGuigan in Antrim Hospital.
- Kathleen Stavely, recovering at home after a recent time in hospital.
- All in our Parish suffering from stress, anxiety and depression.

## RELEASE INTERNATIONAL

Listen....Learn...Love

Sunday 28th January 2018

At both our Morning Services we will have Asif Mall with us. Asif was born in Pakistan, has served as an evangelist, trainer, apologist and is a regular contributor to TV ministry outreach in Europe.

We will be able to

**Listen** ...the beliefs & practices of Islam.

**Learn**.....Biblical & Theological responses and

**Love**..... Muslims in Jesus' name.

**After the Service in St John's we are planning to have lunch—Stew or Curry! Please try & join us as we forge closer links with Release.**

Asif will also be at Glenabbey Church at 7pm on Saturday 27th

### **SAMS Friday Night Live - date for your diary**

One of our new partnerships as a Parish is with the Missionary organisation, SAMS (South America Mission Society), whose Director Bishop Ken Clarke has been with us on a number of occasions. Every year, SAMS hosts an evening of celebration in Craigavon Civic Centre. This year's gathering will be **Friday 2nd February at 7.30pm in Craigavon Civic Centre.** On **Sunday 4th February** we are delighted that our new link in Chile Revd Cristobal Ceron will be joining us at our morning worship.

“ Last year was my first ever visit to a SAMS event. It was packed with so much information, so relaxed as you can guess with Bishop Ken. I went home knowing the Holy Spirit was at work in South America .....I had been so lacking in knowledge what was happening in this area of the world & challenged that we can do more.” David.

**WORSHIP & WORD IS BACK \*\*\*TONIGHT\*\*\***—Please join us at 6.00pm in St John's when the Regional Coordinator, Chris Cupples from CAP (Christians Against Poverty) will be with us, worship will be led by Ian Hannah. CAP is one of the Missionary Charities we support. **We will be running a CAP Course in the very near future –so keep an eye out for more details.**

## **FUTURE DATE IN YOUR DIARY**

We are beginning to plan a Parish Weekend for 2018. The dates are Friday 13th (evening) - Sunday 15th April (lunchtime), and will be held in the Kilbroney Centre, Rostrevor. We are delighted that Rev Dr Heather Morris, (previous President of the Methodist Church in Ireland and now Home Missions Secretary) will be our main speaker. We will also have a full kids' programme and youth programme led by Jill Hamilton (Diocesan Children's Officer) and Christina Baillie (Diocesan Youth Officer). More details will be made available in the New Year, but it is our hope that everyone can come and be enriched. Please keep the dates free. **Revd Jonny**

## **Ballyclare Street Pastors - Training (Commences 27th Jan)**

As part of our desire to reach out into our community with the love of God, Antrim & Newtownabbey Street Pastors are holding training sessions in the New Year for those volunteers who would be interested in being part of the team that goes out onto the streets in Ballyclare & Glengormley. If more volunteers are available then a regular presence can be given in Ballyclare every Saturday night. Please consider this training and if you are interested please speak with **Revd Jonny**

## **Weekly Announcements**

To ensure we effectively communicate information from the parish, all events & notices for the Notice sheet should be sent to the Office by Thursday of each week. Any announcements after this unfortunately will not be included.

**Regards Jonny**

**Communion Lunches:** Wednesday Communion Services recommenced last Wednesday. Bible studies and light lunches will start again on **17th January**

**Bible Study 11.00am Dr John Wilson**

**Communion Service 12.00noon**

**Lunch 12.30pm**

**Its as easy as 1,2,3- please join us for all three, maybe two or just one.**

To assist with lunches we require two to three people willing to serve. Could you be available for an hour? Consider signing up on the sheet this morning with your availability or contact **Ted/Maureen on 93323018**

**Mothers' Union-**"Mothers' Union will start 2018 on Monday 22 January at 8pm with a service of Holy Communion in Christchurch Parish Church. Our supper this month is by courtesy of Tesco. If anyone in the parish has any loose shirt buttons lying about the house can you give them to any member of the Mothers' Union. This is a request from our Teddy Bear knitters. Hilary"

## UNITED PARISH CHARITY ALLOCATION 2017

As a Church community we recognise all that we have comes from God. We want to bless others in the way God Blesses us. Each year we share out tithe with various Christian based organisations. Our hope is that as we partner in the Gospel, we can establish stronger links with these groups in the years ahead.

Below is a list of those we have supported.

Hope 365 Ballyclare	£1500
CMS Ireland	£1500
GBYFC	£1500
SAMS Ireland	£1500
Release	£1500
Care for the Family	£250
Street Pastors	£250
Christian Against Poverty	£750
UCB Bible Notes	£750
Summer Madness	£250
Biblica	£250
Ballyclare Family Focus	£500
Divine Healing Ministries	£750
Church Army	£750
Bible Society	£250
Fields of Life ( Voc. Training Int.)	£750

**£ 13000**

In addition to this we gave a further £250 towards the work of Women's Aid. Can I thank you all that we have been able to help these Charities. Revd Jonny.

**Holiday Bible Club??**– long time from we had one in the Parish. If you are interested in helping, if you would like your kids and friends to be part of this during the summer please have a word with **Revd Jonny as soon as possible.**

## KINGDOM WOMEN-Saturday 24th February 2018

Willowfield Church, Belfast, Doors open 8.45am—1.00pm with brunch @ 10.30am. A morning of worship, bible teaching & Ministry for Women. Speakers & worship include Anne Calver, Nicola Neal, Jude Frame, & Zara Monteith. If you are interested in going please contact Alison by 19/01/18 and she will book a block of tickets.

**Want to find out more about the Bible?** This is a great new event for **young folk (12+).** **Friday 19th January @ 7.30pm in St Elizabeth's Dundonald.**

Theme is: **“The Bible: 66 Books-1 Message”** For more information contact Revd Jonny or Church Office.