



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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Sunday 28th January 2018
4th Sunday after Epiphany
Revd Jonny & Asif Mall (Release International) Genesis 15:9-18
10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**
11.30am Holy Communion in **St John's**
(Prayer Ministry after both Morning Services)
Lunch in St John's after Morning Service

Sunday 4th February 2018
2nd Sunday before Lent
Revd Jonny & Cristobal Ceron, Chile (SAMS)
10.00am Holy Communion in **Christ Church**
11.30am Morning Prayer in **St John's**
(Prayer Ministry after Morning Service)

*******See Article on SAMS Overleaf*******

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- The Matthews family circle on the sudden death of Tommy.
- The Murr Family on the sudden loss of Kevin.
- Stewart Armstrong awaiting surgery.
- Margaret McDowell currently in hospital.
- William Graham recovering at home.
- Irene & William Taylor & family on the recent loss of Irene's father.
- The family of the late Matt Stewart.
- Alwyn & Tricia Tweed & family on the recent loss of Alwyn's mum.
- Patricia Johnston in Antrim Care Home.
- Madge McCourt at home.
- Pearl Rodgers in hospital.
- Derek McLain recently returned home from long stay in Hospital.
- Ina McGuigan recovering at home.
- Kathleen Stavely, currently in hospital
- Nessie Armstrong, currently receiving treatment in hospital.

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.

So What do You Do On A Wednesday??

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.

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.

We have one spare ticket available, if you are interested please see Alison, Revd Jonny or David in the office.

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.**

NEWTOWNABBEY FOODBANK CONCENTIO CHAMBER CHOIR

An evening of sacred & secular music to raise funds for Newtownabbey Foodbank.

Monday 5th February @ 8pm

St John's Parish Church, Ballyclare

Free Admittance— offering on the night.

RURAL DEANERY MIDWEEK SERVICES

January almost over...that was a quick month!

Hard to believe that Ash Wednesday is 14th February.

Times to be confirmed but dates all agreed.

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

Wednesday 14th February

Templepatrick

Wednesday 21st February

Kilbride

Wednesday 28th February

St John's Ballyclare

Wednesday 7th March

Muckamore

Wednesday 14th March

Antrim Parish

Wednesday 21st March

St Patrick's, Park Hill Rd. Antrim

BALLYNATURE DAY– 24TH FEBRUARY 2018 (12pm-5pm)

Ballynure & District Community Association invite everyone to Ballynure Day.

One of Northern Ireland's biggest nature events. Over 40 stands to visit, including conservation organisations and many more.

Find out all about our native wildlife and see mini-beasts, birds, bats, birds of prey, ponies, pets, and even snakes.

See & learn bushcraft, blacksmith, wood carving, artists etc.

Loads of crafts, story telling and facepainting for children.

Lots more info on the [Ballynure Village Facebook page](#).

Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

We will be running our first Money Course towards the end of February.

It will run for 3 nights on consecutive weeks for about an hour and a half each night. Starting on Monday 26th February, followed by two more sessions on Monday 5th & Monday 12th March.

If you are interested sign up sheet at back of Church or for more info contact either Barbara in Christ Church or David in the Church Office.

It is very relaxed; Find out a little more about CAP, It's Free, It teaches budgeting skills, getting to grips with finances...and it works.

UCB BIBLE NOTES WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT SUNDAY

FLOWERS ST JOHN'S

2018 Flower List still has some spaces left. If you would like to put flowers into the Church on a specific Sunday please see Margaret.

PARISH PRAYER TIME

Prayer Time back on this week at Leigh & Clive's in Ballyeaston. Thursday 7.30pm.

During February it will be held at Will & Marion's, 50 A Sawmill Road, Ballyclare.

Jennifer & Stephen's Bible Study (Tuesday 30th January)

New members always welcome, this week Roger Thompson from CMSI is giving a talk about his recent trip to Nepal.

ACTION ON HEARING LOSS

Free drop-in service hearing aid maintenance support session for the Ballyclare community every last Thursday of the month at the new venue– Beeches Community Centre, 76 Avondale Drive, Ballyclare, BT39 9EB. This free drop-in support session offers hearing loss/tinnitus community advice, information, free batteries, tubing, wax guards and basic hearing checks.

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 distributed last week.....we have more available at the back of both Churches.