



Sunday 19th June 2022

WELCOME to the United Parish. We hope that you feel at home in our church family. It is our prayer that you will know the love that God has for you today as we join together in praise, hearing God speak to us, sending us out equipped for the week ahead.

Sunday 19th June

Father's Day

10.00am Christ Church
Family Service

11.30am St John's
Family Service

Sunday 26th June

Children's Gift & Family Fun Day

8.30am Christ Church
Holy Communion

10.00am Christ Church
Family Service

11.30am St John's
Family Service

For Your Attention

Thank You Gift for Dianne Hamilton

In order to show our appreciation to the work Dianne has been involved in over the last 3 years, we will have envelopes in Church if you wish to donate towards a gift.

Refreshments After Morning Service

Please join us for refreshments after this Morning's Service. In Christ Church they will be served in the hall & in St John's at rear of Church

Children's Gift Day & Family Fun Afternoon.

Please join us next Sunday (26th), for our Family Celebration with gift day for children followed by BBQ & Inflatables at the Rectory field. Everyone welcome. Invite friends & family.

Youth & Children's Ministry- Safeguarding!

Last week we contacted folk about safeguard training for all leaders. It looks like the Diocese have encountered a hitch in numbers that can be accommodated via zoom. For those that couldn't register, alternative arrangements will be advised over the summer.

Spiritual Retreat

Last Tuesday a small group spent a day at the Benedictine Monastery in Rostrevor. Everyone found it to be a worthwhile and invaluable experience. We will be holding another retreat in the Autumn on a Saturday to accommodate those folk who work.

Summer Holiday Club – Planning meeting

We have a planning meeting this **Monday night (20th)** in St John's at **7.30pm** for all those wishing to help in August. Plenty of jobs for all so please come along.

Pastoring

Remember our Prayer Line 07519 805789

Please pray for

Crawford Surgeoner in hospital , Lorraine Ogilby who recently was discharged from hospital, Jim & Robina Stewart (Jim presently in hospital recently recovering after surgery), Eileen Green, Achie Blair, Hilary Smylie, Lou & Bertie Cornett's daughter Lorraine, Wesley Lamont, Audra Irvine, Maisie Moore, Helen Osborne,. Colin & Cara Ferguson.

Please pray for all the families who have suffered bereavement in the last few months, that they will know the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

A request from Rev Jonny

As your pastor I am extremely keen to know when anything arises to parishioners and family where I can be praying for you. I regularly am told that you don't want to hassle me because I am very busy, but the wellbeing of each person in our church family is the most important thing I can be doing. So please drop me a text or email or phone call so you know I am praying for you. Thank you. Rev Jonny

Staff Leave

Revd Jonny will be on annual holiday leave from 29th June-15th July inclusive. Canon Derek Kerr will be looking after all pastoral emergencies; he can be contacted on 07828 772057 or at the Rectory on 028 94 472561.

Prayer Warriors (May) leaflet available.

Weekly prayer meetings finished for Summer

Going deeper

New Horizon Coleraine – 6th – 12th August

Why not take a journey up to the North Coast to New Horizon. This year's teaching will be on "Renewed Minds - challenges and possibilities." We so need the mindset of Christ as we navigate much in our lives and our world in these days. Therefore, we need our minds renewed and strengthened in these times in the midst of our circumstances or struggles.

Summer Reading!

It's always good to have a supply of books at hand. We have updated our Bookshelf in partnership with the Good Book Company. Rather than being overwhelmed by a larger number of books we have reduced the selection of what we think are the best summer reads for adults, teenagers, and children. Follow the link:

<https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/bookstall/theunitedparish>

RESET Responses

We received 65 responses from Rev Jonny's RESET form. We would love that everyone completes these forms. If you haven't completed one, please visit the link: -<https://theunitedparish.org.uk/reset/>

Revd Jonny is now reviewing these to see how he can support and encourage each person in their spiritual journey to go deeper with the Lord, so he will be in touch. Thank you.

Small Groups finished for the Summer

Most of our Small Groups have now finished for the summer and will be starting up again during September. Further information on them can be obtained from our website:

<https://theunitedparish.org.uk/ministries/growing-disciples/small-groups/>

Shaping a new generation

Summer Madness (1st - 5th July)

This annual Youth event is not that far away really- just over a month! We have managed to keep the cost down to £50 for each teenager. Bookings and more information can be found by using the following: <https://theunitedparish.org.uk/youth-childrens-events/>

Surfing & Coasteering – 20th & 21st August

We have booked an exciting weekend away for Teenagers at the end of our Holiday Bible Club. On the **20th & 21st August**, the plan is to head up to the North Coast staying in Portrush. A weekend of events & fellowship including an afternoon of surfing on Saturday & Coasteering on the Sunday. Bookings opening shortly.... limited to 20. Cost is £40 includes food, transport & events. Booking via the link below: - <https://theunitedparish.churchsuite.com/events/lgrn8sth>

Holiday Bible Club – 15th – 19th August

We have an exciting Holiday Bible Club lined up this summer called **‘Lights, Camera, Action’**. You will be able to book the kids in by using the following link:

<https://theunitedparish.churchsuite.com/events/npvbsdoi>

It is important to book as soon as possible as numbers will be limited, and we will soon be opening it up to the wider community.

Confirmation preparation

If any parents would like their teenagers to explore Confirmation of their faith, could they contact Revd Jonny.

B.B. Camp Out

The Junior Section are having a camp out at the Rectory Field on Friday 24th June starting at 7pm. Further info. from Neill Jess on 07866522948.

Reaching Out & Welcoming in

School Uniform Scheme

After the success of the last 2 years, we will be opening again in St John's Hall during July and August on Wednesdays from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon. This is an important ministry for our community, especially in the light of the rapidly increasing cost of living.

New Alpha Course for the Autumn

A new course is planned for this September, more details to follow during August. If you are interested, please chat to Revd Jonny.

Flower Rotas

We have a rota in each Church if you would like to put flowers into Church for a special occasion. They don't have to be fancy, a bunch from the garden is more than sufficient.

Keeping Our Halls Tidy

Can we ask that should you use the halls for any activities that you leave the space ready for the next people that may be using it. Due to the amount of hall users, it is easy to neglect the condition of the space we share. Thank You.

Hall usage in the Summer!

During the months of July & August our Halls will be quite busy. If you need to use them, please contact David for availability & bookings.

Partnering

Baby Basics – no more donations please

This year we have already received 43 referrals from the Northern Trust and various charities. Thanks to so much generosity we are currently well-stocked and cannot accept any more donations at this time except for **Moses' baskets, baby baths and nappies sizes 1 and 2.**

CMSi Kingdom Voices Celebration.

An evening celebration hosted by CMSi and SAMS Ireland, in St Anne's Cathedral, **Friday 12th August** featuring worship and 'Kingdom Come' stories from the global Church. The main programme begins at 7:30pm, but there will be opportunities to engage with Church leaders from Africa, South America, and Nepal from 6:45pm and again after the event, when refreshments will be served. This event is open to all, and no registration is required.

CMSi Global Fun Day

Following on from the Friday night event on **Saturday 13th August** at Sir Thomas & Lady Dixon Park at Dunmurry from 2.00pm-4.30pm. Family Fun Day with BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Fire Engine, Irish Dancing & other entertainment. This is a fantastic opportunity to have fun and meet others from the CMSi family locally & globally. All Welcome.

CMSi Summer Snippets

Summer edition of Cmsi magazine now out: copies available in both Christ Church & St John's or available to download using the following link: <https://theunitedparish.org.uk/cmsi-summer-snippets/>

OUR VALUES

Jesus at the centre

Offering a **pastoral** heart

Going **deeper** with God

Shaping a new generation

Reaching out and welcoming in

Partnering in the Gospel

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