



Sunday 26th 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 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

Sunday 3rd July

10.00am Christ Church
Morning Prayer

11.30am St John's
Morning Praise

For Your Attention

Thank You Gift for Dianne

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

Children's Gift Day.

This Sunday (26th) please join us for our Family Celebration Services with gift day for children. Sadly, we have had to postpone our Fun afternoon & BBQ due to the expected bad weather. Hopefully when the weather improves during late July/early August we can enjoy a fun Sunday afternoon at the Rectory field.

Notice Sheets

Many folk are away on holiday during July. We are taking a break for a few weeks and the next edition will appear towards the end of July. Services on Sunday continue as normal during July & August or join us online if you are away over the summer.

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.

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. Lorraine Cardwell will be coordinating the ministry this year and can be contacted on 07799 876028

Pastoring

Remember our Prayer Line 07519 805789

Please pray for

Lorraine Ogilby who recently was discharged from hospital, Jim & Robina Stewart (Jim recuperating after being in hospital), 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 the family of Crawford Surgeoner, Wife Janet, daughter Lorraine and son Colin along with the rest of the family circle. Crawford was a much-loved member of our congregation and sadly died last weekend.

Pray for Dianne, Luke and the girls over the next few months.

Prayer Warriors (May) leaflet available.

Weekly prayer meetings finished for Summer

Prayer Walks in Ballynure this Summer

The churches in Ballynure are joining together this summer to walk and pray for their community. We are meeting at 7pm on the first Wednesday of each month – 6th July 3rd August 7th September. Please join us as we united as Brothers & Sisters in Christ.

Midweek Communions

During the Summer there will be no midweek communion services.

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>

Small Groups finished for the Summer

Most of our Small Groups have 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)

Happening next weekend – still a few spaces left. We have managed to keep the cost down to £50 for each teenager covering the whole weekend away. Contact Paul Reid on 07778 853605.

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 Clubs – 15th – 19th August

We have two exciting Holiday Bible Clubs lined up this summer.

In the mornings at St John's, we have '**Lights, Camera, Action**'. This will run from 10am-12 noon and is for P2-P7.

In the afternoons at the Presbyterian Church, Spark Ballyclare will be running the Secret Agent's Club from 2.30pm-4.30pm and is for P5-P7. You will be able to book the kids in by using the following link:

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

Spaces are filling up fast so it's important to book as soon as possible as numbers are limited.

Confirmation preparation

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

Reaching Out & Welcoming in

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.

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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