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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

24th November, 2024

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In the Name of the Triune God, a warm welcome to every visitor at our service today, please sign Visitor's Book.

This Lord's Day:

Sunday 24th Nov	**10.30am**	**Bible Class** meets in upstairs hall. Every 2nd & 4th week of each month. Please do pray & make the group known to others
	10.30am	**Christmas Choir Practice** in the Committee Room preparation for our **Carol Service** on Sunday the 22nd December.
	11.10am	**Prayer time** in Minister's room.
	11.30am	Rev Collins will conduct this **morning service** taken from Isaiah 7. Please do have a read of the chapter in advance of the service, if possible.

Please do prayerfully consider making a donation to the PCI United Appeal for Mission using your envelope. Your prayerful giving will help spread the Gospel, and by God's grace, advance the Kingdom of His Son through PCI projects & programmes at home and abroad.

This Week:

Mon 25th	**7.45pm**	Men's Monthly meet-up in the manse. Please do encourage our men to attend. We'll have a look at Chapter 3 & discuss 'Being ambitious for God' - should you need a book let Ross know. Supper served afterwards.
Tue 26th	**10am**	**Tea and Tots** in the church hall.
	10 -11.30am	**PW Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.
	2pm - 4pm	**Afternoon Bowls** in Moore Memorial Hall.
	7.30pm	**Evening Bowls** in Church Hall.
Wed 27th	**8.00pm**	**Midweek: congregational prayer time** in the committee room. Everyone welcome.
Thurs 28th	**9.45am**	**Ladies' Prayer Time** in the Committee Room.
	12.30pm	**Friendship Group Christmas Dinner**, Seated for 12.30 pm. Guest singer is John Porter.
	6.30- 7.30pm	**Community Revival Prayer Time** in Stephen & Hester Clark's home.
Fri 29th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet up in Church Hall **Boys' Brigade:** Anchors & Juniors **6.15-7.30pm.** Company meet **from 7.30pm**
Sat 30th	**6.30-8.30pm**	**Ballywatt Christmas Lights switch-on** - this family event is open to all - please do invite family and friends. Occasion to include: Carol Singing, North Coast alpacas, Giant Snow Globe, face painting, crafts for Christ, photo wall, toasted marshmallows, hot chocolate, tea/ coffee, mince pies, shortbread, festive apple juice. Lights will be switched on at 6.50pm after the singing of a few carols.

Next Week:

Sun 1st Dec	**10.30am**	**Christmas Choir Practice** in the Committee Room preparation for our **Carol Service** on Sunday the 22nd December.
	11.10am	**Prayer time** in Minister's room.
	11.30am	**Morning Worship** - Rev. Collins will conduct the service and give thought to Isaiah 9 and the description given to the Coming King.

NOTE: There will be an opportunity to bring toys etc to the front of church for **The Salvation Army Appeal** prior to the Children's Talk. Our Christmas tree will be put for the start of the advent season.

Tue 3rd Dec	**10am**	**Tea and Tots** in the church hall.
	10 -11.30am	**PW Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.
	2pm - 4pm	**Afternoon Bowls** in Moore Memorial Hall.
	7.30pm	**Evening Bowls** in Church Hall.
	7.30pm	**The Presbytery** meet in Terrace Row for the upcoming stated meeting
Wed 4th & Thurs 5th	**8.00pm**	**Home Groups** in the homes of the Nevin's and the Caldwell's respectively. Speak to leaders: Thomas & Alistair for further details.
Thurs 5th	**9.45am**	**Ladies' Prayer Time** in the Committee Room.
	6.30- 7.30pm	**Community Revival Prayer Time** in Stephen & Hester Clark's home.
Fri 6th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet up in Church Hall
		Boys' Brigade: Anchors & Juniors **6.15-7.30pm.** Company meet **from 7.30pm**

General:

There will be an opportunity to donate to **the Salvation Army Family (Toy) Appeal** on Sunday 1st December.

The Family Appeal has been helping struggling families in Northern Ireland celebrate Christmas for over 44 years.

The campaign aims to support those who need it most, and with the costs of living increasing, demand for support from this year's appeal is expected to be at a record high.

We believe every child deserves a new gift at Christmas so we are unable to take used or second hand items for the **Christmas Present Appeal**.

- **0-3 years:** dolls, teddy bears, cot mobiles, baby clothes, bath toys, puzzles
- **3-5:** dolls and action figures, cars, lorries, colouring sets, pencils, crayons, books, puzzles
- **5-9:** educational games & toys, stationery (colouring sets, pencils, crayons, school sets), books, puzzles, wordsearch, crosswords
- **9-12:** games and toys, stationery, books, t-shirts, hair accessories, gloves, scarves, hats
- **13-16:** books, make-up and toiletries (please try to ensure non-allergic ingredients if possible), gloves, scarves, hats, t-shirts, hair accessories and gift vouchers

By giving a gift to our Christmas Present Appeal you can make a real difference in someone's life at Christmas.

This year again, we will drop off presents to the Salvation Army centre in Ballymoney.

There will be no coffee and chat session on November 29th as the Christmas Dinner is the previous day. However, we will meet as usual in The Lodge on 6th December for the last 'meet up' of the year. This has been a lovely time of fellowship, laughter and companionship all made special by the people who attend. We will resume in January 2025 DV, with a new schedule TBC. Same format meeting at 10 am, come as you please. Looking forward to seeing you all. To God be the Glory

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Door Welcome	John McCrory Sammy Sharpe	Louise Kirk Jimmy Caldwell	Louise Kirk Jimmy Caldwell	Joyce Lyons Stanley campbell
PowerPoint & Sound	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure