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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

12th January, 2025

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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:

Sun 12th Jan	**10.30am**	**Bible Class** meets in church hall. Please encourage our secondary schoolers to attend; and do pray for them and Thomas as he leads.
	11.05am	**Kirk Session** meet in the Committee Room.
	11.10am	**Prayer time.**
	11.30am	**Morning Worship** - conducted by Rev Collins who will also administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Sunday School resumes this season over in the hall before the sermon (& the Lord's Supper).

This Week:

Tues 14th	**10.00am**	**Tea & Tots**.
	10-11.30am	**PW Crafters** resume activities in the Committee Room. Do invite a friend or neighbour along if you can.
	2-4pm	**Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.
	7.45pm	**Kirk Session** meets in the Committee Room.
Wed 15th / & **Thurs 16th**	**8.00pm**	**Homegroups** resume in the Nevin's & Caldwell's homes. Pray for the groups as they meet to study Paul Miller's "A Praying Life." Should anyone wish to join either group, please speak to Thomas/ Alastair, and a book can be taken from the church vestibule.
Thurs 16th	**9.45am**	**Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.
Fri 17th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet. **Boys' Brigade**: Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**. Company meet **from 7.30pm.**
Sat 18th	**2-4pm**	Our **Presbyterian Women** meet in the Committee Room with guests "Precept Ministries." Theme: "*Entrusted to Lead.*" Please do contact Louise Kirk for further details.

Next Week:

Sunday 19th Jan	**11.10am**	**Prayer time.**
	11.30am	**Morning worship** - Rev Collins to conduct worship and start a new series on Matthew chapters 12 & 13 this winter.
	7.00pm	**Evening worship** in Committee Room with Rev. Collins starting a new series in the Letter of James.

Tues 21st	**10.00am**	**Tea & Tots**.
	10-11.30am	**Crafters** meet in the Committee Room where Mr Samuel Cowan of Seamen's Christian Friend Society (SCFS) will be welcomed. Samuel will receive knitted hats for his ongoing ministry at the Belfast docks. Pray for Samuel's work in evangelising and disciple making.
	2-4pm	**Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.
Wed 22nd	**8.00pm**	**Midweek prayer time** in Committee Room - Bring your Bible and we will praise God together and pray for, and about, people and their work for the LORD.
Thurs 23rd	**9.45am**	**Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.
Fri 24th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet. **Boys' Brigade**: Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**. Company meet **from 7.30pm.**

Further Ahead:

Mon 27th	**7.45pm**	**Men's Monthly Meet-up** - we resume our men's catch up at the manse. Please do spread the word & consider joining us as we discuss *"Being the Man, God wants us to be." We use a book entitled "Reclaiming Masculinity,"* which is challenging yet helpful - let me know if you'd appreciate a copy.
Fri 31st		**'Coffee and Chat'** will recommence in The Lodge Hotel. Come and enjoy friendship and fellowship alongside our Church Family.

General:

Taking Care - just a reminder to all leaders and helpers in our youth organisations, you are required to keep your training up to date. You should complete the training every three years. If you missed our last training session in Ballywatt or are a new leader, then PCI now offer both in person and online zoom style training. This training can accessed by completing an online form: go to http://www.presbyterianireland.org, search for Taking Care training and you will find a link for a jot form to complete. Going forward PCI hope to be offering this training on a monthly basis so you should get a date in 2025 that suits you. Any issues, please feel free to contact myself (John) or Valerie.

A BIG thank you to everyone who donated to our Christmas Appeals at the end of December - to the Causeway Foodbank & to the PCI World Development Appeal. Your kindness is much appreciated by people near and far.

Rota	Sun 12th Jan	Sun 19th Jan	Sun 26th Jan	Sun 2nd Feb
Door Welcome	Richard McClure Malcolm Rankin	Louise Kirk Sammy Sharpe	Louise Kirk Sammy Sharpe	Joyce Lyons Jimmy Caldwell
PowerPoint & Sound	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe