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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

23rd March 2025

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NI Registered Charity **(NIC105348)**

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 23rd Mar **10.20-11.10am Choir practices for Easter**

10.30am **Bible Class** in church hall - please do pray for and encourage a good attendance

11.10am **Prayer time** in the Minister's Room.

11.30am **Morning Service:** Rev. Collins to conduct public worship this morning. Reading and preaching from **Matt. 12:33-37** *"A tree and its fruits"*

6:30pm "***EXPLORE***" for secondary school-ers at New Row P.C. Coleraine. " Who Am I? – living in our true identity " What does it mean to understand and live out our true identity as Christians in today's world? Speaker Mark Hawthorne (Legacurry P.C.) Worship, talk, games, refreshments. Pick one of three workshops:- Who am I in my sports teams? - Who am I in my friendships? - Who am I in my ambitions and plans?

This Week:

Tues 25th **10.00am** **Tea & Tots.**

10-11.30am **Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.

2-4pm **Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.

7.30pm **Bowling Club** meet in the hall.

Wed. 26th **1.30pm** **Friendship Group** invite all to come to the committee room to hear **Alan Carson** speak on "*A Father's Fear*" - please do plan to come hear Alan recount his fears when he and his wife Anne, found out their daughter Alana had been kidnapped by terrorists and how his faith held him in those days of uncertainty. Friends welcome.

Wed 26th & **Thurs 27th** **8pm** **Homegroups** meet 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 27th **9.45am** **Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.

Fri 28th **7.30pm** **Annual Boys' Brigade Display** in our church hall. Please do come & encourage the staff and boys with a good attendance. To God be the Glory.

Next Week:

Sun 30th Mar **10.20-11.10am Choir practices for Easter**

11.10am **Prayer time** in the Minister's Room.

11.30am **Morning Service:** Rev. Collins to conduct public worship this morning. Reading & preaching from **Matt.12: 38-45** *"Signs"* - do have a read of the Scripture prior to the sermon.

7.00pm **Evening Service** in Committee Room - Rev. Collins to lead and speak from James 2:1-13 "Favouritism - the need for impartiality in the church"

Tues 1st April	**10.00am**	**Tea & Tots.**
	10-11.30am	**Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.
	2-4pm	**Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.
	7.30pm	**Bowling Club** meet in the hall.
Wed 2nd	**8pm**	**Prayer time** in the Committee Room. Come let us worship the LORD & pray for the needs of others.
Thurs 3rd	**9.45am**	**Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.
	6.30pm	**Revival Prayer time** resumes in Stephen & Hester's home. All welcome.
Friday 4th	**7.30pm**	**Annual Boys' Brigade Display** in our church hall. Please do come & encourage the staff and boys with a good attendance. To God be the Glory.

General:

Care for the Family have a few events planned across the province for married couples**. "*Going the Distance*" -** *for a vibrant & lasting marriage* - will be presented at **Wellington Presbyterian** on **Wed. 26th March** from **7.30pm.** Tickets cost: £11 or group rate of £8. cff.org.uk/goingthedistance

The Christian Institute are hosting public meetings across NI entitled "*Standing Steadfast."* There will be **a Coleraine** meeting on **Tuesday 1st April** at the Lodge Road Hotel @ 8.00pm. There are many issues challenging Christians across our land today, including: *Education, conversion therapy & assisted suicide.* Please come along and find out how we can make a difference. Flyers available in vestibule today.

Faith Mission Bookshop: Please be praying for the Faith Mission as they move to running as an independent Christian bookshop in Coleraine. The Shop has a request for a van to help the shop move books and tables needed when attending Christian conferences, conventions and festivals during the summer season. If you know anyone who is looking to sell, please do contact Roger at the shop, or indeed, our minister, the Rev. Ross Collins.

Portballintrae CSSM Leader, Benjy McKay, was in touch with our minister enquiring of any help from within our congregation to assist with meals, if possible, during the 1st week of their 2 week mission (30 June - 11 July, 2025). There is no pressure from CSSM BUT if anyone is able to offer help, the team would be so, so grateful as they aim to reach children with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. To give us an idea of what the team has eaten in the past, lunches have included: sausage rolls, chicken wraps, sandwiches & then for dinners: lasagne, spaghetti bolognese, chicken & broccoli bake. The team apparently isn't too fussy! If you think you can help, please do mention to Ross C or Louise K. Thank you.

Missionary Organisations ***Barnabas Aid & Open Doors*** have left us **prayer resources** in the vestibule for children, teens & adults in the vestibule, please take a copy home with you today.

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Door Welcome	David Curry Malcolm Rankin	Phyllis Cochrane Alistair Cochrane	Phyllis Cochrane Alistair Cochrane	Louise Kirk Sammy Sharpe
PowerPoint & Sound	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure