

**Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church
Announcements: 13th January, 2019**

Welcome to everyone, especially any visitors with us this morning.

There will be a **Traidcraft** stall in the Foyer after the morning service for you to make your **Fairtrade** purchases.

Monday 7.45pm **PW:** an evening of '**Desert Island Discs**' presented
14th Jan by our own Olive Turkington and featuring guests from PW.
A night not to be missed!!!!

Church Car Park: following a request from the Principal of Rosetta Primary School for the staff to use the church carpark, from Monday to Friday during term time, the Congregational Committee agreed to permit the use of up to thirty car park spaces subject to a number of agreed Conditions of Use. Staff cars will be identified by the display of a school logo badge on the dash-board. This will take effect from **Monday, 14 January 2019**. In the event of funerals, weddings etc. the school staff will not use the car park and will be notified by Denis Guiler who has agreed to act as the liaison person with the school on such issues.

Tuesday 10.30am **Carers & Tots.**
15th Jan

7.00pm **Finance Sub-Committee** in the Church Office.

7.45pm **Joint Congregational Committee & Session Meeting** in the Megaw Room. In order to comply with Charities legislation all elders as trustees are strongly encouraged to attend for the discussion on the draft accounts for 2018. Convenors and Secretaries of Sub - Committees are reminded that they should prepare a brief written report of their year's activities for presentation to Committee.

Wednesday **Lunch Club** meets at 12.15 pm in Rosetta Hall.
16th Jan Everyone welcome to attend.

Thursday 6.45pm **Prayer Group** meets in the Megaw Room
17th Jan

Friday 10.30am **Coffee & Chat** resumes. There is a new rota on the Foyer notice-board for Coffee & Chat volunteers, old and new.
18th Jan

Saturday 8.30am During the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** OCT are hosting a delicious breakfast cooked by Root Soup in the Rosetta Hall. This year's speaker will be Dr. Gladys Ganiel, a sociologist from Queen's University. Her areas of research are in the NI Conflict, evangelism and Christianity in Ireland. She will be talking about her upcoming biography of noted peacemaker Fr Gerry Reynolds of Clonard Fitzroy Fellowship. Looking forward to seeing you there!
19th Jan

Winter Strollers Walk: meet at church car park 10 a.m. to go walking on Divis Mountain; returning by 1.00p.m. Good paths but walking boots and waterproofs advisable. All welcome. Further information from Christine McGibbon 077 4257 6995.

Choir in a Day Faure Requiem in Lowe Memorial Church. Sing in the choir, registration at 10.00am, or attend the concert at 7.00pm. For more details see Dave or Jacynth.

General

Pastoral Care: if you need to speak to a minister please contact Rev Anne Tolland on 028 9064 0178 or 077 4036 2390. Alternatively you may contact Rev William Haslett on 028 9180 0859 or 077 4298 7589.

- Sunday* 10.30am Rev Steve Pointon.
20th Jan The Rainbow leaders will be serving tea and coffee after morning worship. All proceeds will be going to the Rainbows' chosen charity, Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children.
- 3.00pm Service for **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** in Newtownbreda Church, organised by Ballynafeigh Clergy Group & Ormeau Churches Together.
- Wednesday* 7.30pm **Home Group** meets in Hilary McCourt's home, Galwally Avenue.
23rd Jan New members welcome.
- Thursday* 10.30am **Koinonia**: our special guest speaker during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be the well-known preacher and broadcaster Father Brian D'Arcy. Father D'Arcy is a Passionist priest based at the Tobar Mhuire retreat centre in Crossgar. Born in Fermanagh, he spent many years there and devoted much of his time to building cross-community relationships. He is probably best known to us as a broadcaster and hosts a regular Sunday show on Radio Ulster. He has been the principal contributor to the 'Pause for Thought' reflection spot on the BBC Radio 2 Breakfast Show and was a long-time friend of the late Sir Terry Wogan. Also a newspaper columnist and writer, he is the author of several books, including *A Little Bit of Religion* and *A Little Bit of Healing*.
24th Jan We hope that you will be able to join us on 24th. Since this event is being held during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we have also extended the invitation to our neighbouring Churches within the Ormeau Churches Together network. All visitors will be made most welcome.

Voters Lists

A committee election has been planned for February and in accordance with the Code, a voter's list for the congregation must be compiled. The list will be displayed on two successive Sundays 20th January and 27th January.

Code 175. (1) Voting members in the Church are communicants on the roll of the congregation who are listed, whether by name or number, as having contributed to the stipend or weekly freewill offering of the congregation in the last financial year.

(2) In addition to those so listed the following shall also be qualified, if themselves communicants on the roll -

(a) A wife shall be qualified on a husband's contribution, and vice versa, where both are communicants. This shall also apply should the contributor himself or herself not be a communicant. If neither husband nor wife in such circumstances is a communicant, then their contribution shall qualify the eldest child, residing in the family, who is on the communicants' roll.

(b) Should a contributor, who is not a communicant, be a member of a family residing together, then his contribution shall qualify the eldest member residing in the family who is on the communicants' roll.

(c) Those who have been added to the communicants' roll of the congregation since the close of the last financial year, upon confirmation by the treasurer that they have contributed during the current year, shall also be qualified voters.

Code 176 (2) (c) 'Should any member of the congregation who claims to be a voting member desire to make an objection regarding any name on the list, or omitted from the list, he shall lodge his objections, with his reasons in writing, with the Moderator of Kirk Session within a week of the first publication of the lists by any of the prescribed methods; and the Kirk Session shall give its decision thereon or refer the matter for decision by Presbytery.'

- Sunday* 10.30am Rev Anne
27th Jan 7.00pm Taizé Service.

Clear out the Clutter



Decluttering the Home

's that time of year again. Taking down the Christmas decorations and putting away gifts, gloves and scarves, cosmetics and toiletries many of which you will never use. So if you are looking to create some space and declutter your home why not donate something to the 2019 Autumn Fete. Here is a call for all such goods, including Christmas decorations that you are happy to give to a new home. Save yourself the bother of bringing these and donate them for the Autumn Fete. We have a number of stalls that could sell these.

As we move from Christmas to Spring you may also do the annual spring clear out of garages, roof spaces, spare rooms and that 'cupboard or drawer' so again if you have any other items which you would love to have out of the house and would consider donating to the Autumn Fete then please contact Heather or Austin Moore on 077 5157 4964 or austin@cottagecateringni.com who will be happy to store these for Autumn 2019.

Jig2Reels is back for a new term and we are delighted to offer two adult Irish Dance fitness classes in the South Belfast area. Classes take place on a Monday evening from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in Newtownbreda Presbyterian Church and on a Thursday morning from 10.00am - 11.00am in the Jacqui Philpott Dance studio (located behind the Co-op on the Ormeau Road). The classes offer a full cardio workout for the whole body using the principles of Irish Dance. They are run by an experienced Irish dance teacher and fully qualified fitness instructor so the best of both worlds!! Why not try something new and come along and have some craic. Classes are £5 on a pay as you go basis and no booking is necessary. For more information contact Orla on 078 7943 8744.

Save the Date

Friday 15th February, 7.30pm

PW Fund Raising Barn Dance

Bring your Valentine (or not!!!)
for a night of fun and dancing.

Further details to follow

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