

**Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church**  
**Announcements: 28th April, 2019**

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

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*Tuesday*      **Root Soup resumes this week.**  
*30th April*

*Wednesday* **7.30pm Joint House Group** in Hilary's home.  
*1st May*      This will be the last evening before the summer break.

*Friday*      **10.30am Coffee & Chat resumes.**  
*3rd May*

*Saturday*    **1.30pm - 4.30pm L'Arche Spring Fair** in the  
*4th May*      St John's Hall.

**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.

**Can You help?** We are asking for volunteers to assist in keeping the church clean and tidy. This involves the hoovering of the church carpets and some dusting. This should take approximately one hour per week. If you are able to help please give your name and contact details to Austin Moore email: [austinmoore@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:austinmoore@hotmail.co.uk) or text 077 5157 4964. Your cooperation in this matter is much appreciated.

*Sunday*      **Belfast City Marathon** Please note that the Belfast City  
*5th May*      Marathon will be taking place on **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2019**.  
Details of the route and times will be displayed on the notice board in the Foyer.

**Tools for Solidarity** will be entering a relay team of young, fit European volunteers in the Belfast Marathon, looking to raise funds for their African projects. There's a sponsorship form sitting on the table below the notice boards in the Foyer if you feel you can help, or speak to Ken Orr.

*Tuesday*      **8.00pm Asante** will meet in the Cairns room for an  
*7th May*      illustrated talk on Ecuador and The Galapagos. Everyone in the congregation is most welcome at this meeting.

*Sunday* 9.00am This year's **Christian Aid Big Brekkie** will take place in the Rosetta Hall. If you wish to come please complete one of the slips in the pews by Sunday 5th May.  
*12th May*

*Tuesday* 7.30pm - 10.00pm in Orangefield Presbyterian '*Left to their own Devices? Confident parenting in a world of screens*'. This is a '*Care for the Family Event*' suitable for all who care for and work with children, including grandparents, childminders, etc. Cost £4 - £7.  
*21st May*  
To book: [cff.org.uk/owndevices](http://cff.org.uk/owndevices) or contact C. McGibbon 9082 6807 or see leaflets in the church Foyer.

*Thursday* **Koinonia:** Outing to Killymoon Castle, Cookstown  
*23rd May* Please remember to reserve your place for our annual outing - the cost of £25 includes transport, lunch and a guided tour.

### **St Johns Newtownbreda Annual Autumn Fete 2019**

*Organisations competition - Celebrate the bucket - The basic bucket*

Decorate your bucket in a creative, artistic or innovative way. This year's competition for the organisations is to design/ decorate a bucket to be an eye catching winner. The bucket is such a basic vessel, yet without it society near or far would struggle to exist.

Voting will be in the usual way with monetary donations on the day of the fete and the chosen charity to support with funds collected is Christian Aid.



Buckets are available from Austin Moore and can be collected any Sunday after church or by alternative arrangement if you call or text 077 5157 4964. Buckets to be displayed as part of the competition should be returned to the Foyer no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019. If you need help with collection of any items please contact Heather or Austin Moore 077 5157 4964.



### **Autumn Fête Donations 2019.**

We have already received some donations for the fête this year, so thank you to all who have donated so far. Please remember to consider donating any unwanted/surplus household items including furniture, books and toys to the Autumn Fête 2019. Last year we also collected a good number of gift sets, cosmetic sets, perfume, jewellery etc which sold well on the day. Everything helps to stock the various stalls, and even in searching for such items, please remember that broken or unwanted gold jewellery can be of use in supporting the event this year.

Single earrings, cufflinks or broken gold jewellery can be gathered and collectively sold ahead of the fête with proceeds going to the fête  
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### **Art Exhibition 8th -11th May 2019**

As you know, the Church has held a very popular Art Exhibition every two years for the past number of years. Our next one will be from 8th -11th May 2019 and provides an excellent opportunity for many local amateur artists to display their work.

The Exhibition is also a significant fund-raising event for the Church. The 2017 Exhibition raised over £5,500 and all proceeds from this year's event will go towards Church funds.

**Volunteers needed:** As at all Church events, we depend on a band of willing helpers - if you would like to volunteer to assist in any way - accepting the artwork on arrival, acting as reception staff or as a steward at the exhibition - please see Clare Pollock in the Foyer after the service.

**Children's Art:** This year we will have a special section to display art by the children from our Church. Please contact Hannah Dearie who is co-ordinating this.

### **Preview Evening for Art Exhibition - Wednesday 8 May**

A special Exhibition Opening and Preview Evening will be held on Wednesday 8 May from 7.30 -9 .30 pm. Our Exhibition will be opened by Daniel Clarke, Head of Ross's Auctions and Fine Arts Valuers and tickets at £7.50 each will be available after the Service from **Lorna Gray**. Tickets will include drinks, a finger buffet and an Exhibition Catalogue. Members of the Congregation and their friends are warmly invited to this evening event where there will be an opportunity to have first sight of the work on display and speak to some of the exhibiting artists.

### **Art Exhibition Opening Times**

The main Exhibition will be open on:

Thursday 9 May	from 10.00 am - 9.00 pm
Friday 10 May	from 10.00 am - 9.00 pm
Saturday 11 May	from 10.00 am - 5.00 pm.

A donation of £3 will include tea/coffee and all proceeds will go towards Church Funds. Please come along and support us!