

**Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church  
Announcements: 2nd February, 2020**

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

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*Monday*      7.00pm **Ormeau Churches Environmental**  
*3rd Feb*      **Action Network:** a new group is being set  
up to support environmental work in local  
churches, and to plan a practical project in  
the Ballynafeigh/Rosetta area. Are you an  
aspiring eco-warrior, or already involved in environmental  
work and with ideas to share with other churches? Come  
to our first meeting in the halls of St. John's Newtown-  
breda. Contact Ken Orr for more details.

*Tuesday*      Due to repair work being carried out in the Rosetta Hall  
*4th Feb*      there will be no **Carers and Tots** today or on 11th Feb  
We will also be closed for half term on 18th February and  
will resume on 25th February.

8.00pm **Asante:** we will be presenting a cheque for £700  
raised at our Christingle tea to Anne McManus repres-  
enting the Sense organisation. Everyone is very welcome  
to join us to hear about the work Sense is involved in.

*Wednesday*      10.30am **Pins & Needles** will meet in the Cairns Room.  
*5th Feb*      All welcome.

*Thursday*      **Koinonia.** Our speaker will be Linda McKenna, from the  
*6th Feb*      Down County Museum, who will tell us about the work of  
the Museum and bring along some artefacts.

6.45pm-7.15pm **Prayer Group** meets in the Megaw Room.

**General**

*Sunday*      10.30am Rev Anne  
*9th Feb*

**Knitting for Malawi:** I am pleased to announce that knitted baby  
clothes and blankets can continue to be sent to Irish Relo for shipping  
to the David Gordon Memorial Hospital in Livingstonia despite the  
Presbyterian Church's official support being withdrawn. Details from  
Joan McQuoid.

A reminder that if you know of anyone in hospital could you please let Rev Anne know as the information does not always come through from the Chaplains.

*Saturday* 10.00am - 1.00 pm **Repair Cafe** in St.John's Hall.  
*15th Feb* Repair Cafe is an organisation that believes fixing things is better than throwing them out! It has been visiting different venues in Belfast each month for two years. Over 70 repair cafes will happen across the UK on 15th February. Bring your broken straps, toys, bikes, small electrical items like lamps or kettles, tools for sharpening, and have them fixed for free! (voluntary donations are much appreciated). Root Soup will be providing catering. See Repair Cafe Belfast on Facebook for details.

*Sunday* 10.30am **Thinking & Founder's Day Service** with  
*16th Feb* uniformed organisations.

*Friday* **AGM Supper.** It will soon be time for our AGM. In order to  
*28th Feb* enjoy a delicious supper we need help from you. Please speak to Marjorie/Janet in the Foyer if you can help by hosting a table and/or making a casserole or dessert. Can't wait to see what recipes you come up with this year!

**Griefshare:** GriefShare is a worldwide network equipped to offer grief support groups which meet weekly to offer support and biblical concepts for healing from grief. South Belfast Presbytery is initiating the GriefShare Program and is looking for individuals from the congregations to help facilitate these evenings. Training for anyone interested is taking place on the morning of Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February. If you feel this is something you might be interested in, please speak to Rev Anne.

**Food donations:** requests this week- Aptimil baby milk (not other brands); tomato ketchup; tinned potatoes; tinned ham & corned beef; washing-up liquid; longlife juice; sugar.

## Auction of Quality Items and Talents

You will have read in the Christmas Chronicle that major works are needed to bring our church kitchen up to standard. The kitchen is used daily - we are sure you have all enjoyed morning coffee, afternoon tea, lunches and evening meals prepared in it. To help in a small way towards funding the works, your Catering Committee is planning an auction of goods and talents on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. This is how you can help us:

1) While you are spring cleaning, please gather unwanted furniture, ornaments, pictures etc. and donate them for sale. Any items more suitable for the Autumn fete will be stored until September. If you need help moving your items, please contact Janet Robinson or Marjorie Guiler who will gladly organise collection.

2) Consider whether you could offer a talent - in Newtownbreda we have all been blessed with many talents. These could include activities such as baby-sitting, organising children's parties, baking, providing meals, gardening, offering your holiday home for a weekend . . . .

There is a sign-up sheet on the noticeboard in the glass foyer, please add your name and talent. If you have any queries please speak to any member of the Catering Committee.

3) Put the date in your diary, tell your friends and support your church by coming on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Thank you, the Catering Committee

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