

**Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church  
Announcements: 7th May, 2017**

Welcome to everyone, especially any visitors with us this morning.  
Please join us for tea and coffee in the Foyer after the service.

The Crèche for babies and toddlers is found in the Foyer of the  
St John's Hall; access by the main Hall doors and across the Hall.

**Iona Worship** The service this morning gives us an insight into what  
the Iona Community believes about worship.

At the centre is the Gospel conviction that worship is all that we are and  
all that we do. Either everything we do is an offering to God, or nothing.  
We may not pick and choose. We are all in a search for wholeness - to be  
fully human, with no division between 'sacred' and 'secular'. The desire is to be fully  
present to God who is fully present to us - wherever we may find ourselves.

We cannot make ourselves whole, anymore than we can make ourselves happy or good.  
But by grace we can structure our lives - as individuals and as a congregation, in obedience  
to the vision God has given us of what wholeness is like - through the life, death and  
resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**No Evening Service**



*Tuesday* 10.30am - 12 noon **Carers and Tots.**  
*9th May*

*Wednesday* **Lunch Club** meets at 12.15pm in Rosetta Hall After Lunch we go to the  
*10th May* Cinema, Drumahirk Road, Comber. You will be welcome even if you don't  
normally come for lunch.

7.30pm **Homegroup** meets at Barbara & Raymond's home, 93 Greer Park  
Avenue. All welcome

*Thursday* **Koinonia Outing** by Coach to Bessbrook to visit the Quaker Village  
*11th May* followed by Lunch at Balmoral Hotel, Warrenpoint.

**THE COACH LEAVES THE CHURCH AT 9.30am SHARP.**

*Friday* **Coffee and Chat.**  
*12th May*

*Saturday* **Fund raising breakfast.** You are warmly invited to the home of Donald  
*13th May* and Jennifer Cairnduff , 2, Grangewood Manor, Ballyregan Road,  
Dundonald, BT16 1GJ for breakfast from 9.30am onwards. Our son Philip  
has once again been selected to represent the UK at the World Transplant  
Games which are to be held in Malaga from 25th June to 1st July. We are  
raising money for Transplant Sport NI, a local charity which is supporting  
the nine athletes from Northern Ireland who have been selected for the  
World Transplant Games.

It would be very much appreciated if you could let us know if you are  
hoping to come, so that we have some idea of numbers.

Either speak to Donald or Jennifer after church today, phone or text us.  
028 9041 9549(home), 077 0102 9347(Donald), 078 8939 5132(Jennifer).

7.30pm **Asante BBQ**, chez Meek, 27 Fort Road Ballylesson.

**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 **Christian Aid Service** followed by a Bread & Cheese Lunch in the  
*14th May* St John's Hall.

May 14th - 20th is **Christian Aid Week**. Today the world is facing the worst humanitarian crisis since 1945. People are starving to death in ever greater numbers. Will you help such people in desperate need? Your support will not only save lives now - it could give the next generation hope and a chance to build a brighter future too. Will you be willing to give up some of your time with the House -to- House Collection in our area. This will take only a couple of hours. Please, please speak to Fiona in the Foyer if you can help. The more volunteers we have the less time it takes!

*Tuesday*                    7.00pm **Finance Sub-Committee** in the Church Office.  
*16th May*                    7.45pm **Congregational Committee** in the Megaw Room.



**ART EXHIBITION & SALE**

18 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday	10am to 9pm
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday	10am to 9pm
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Saturday	10am to 5pm

Donation £3 - includes Catalogue and Tea/Coffee  
 All proceeds in aid of Fields of Life Project in Uganda

**Preview night**  
 To be opened by Dr. Neil Shawcross, MBE, RHA, RUA

17<sup>th</sup> May    Wednesday    7 pm to 9.30pm  
 Subscription £7.50                      Finger Buffet & Catalogue

**Tickets for this Preview, at £7.50 each, will be available from  
 Lorna Gray and George Ditty after the service.**

The congregation and their friends are warmly invited to this evening  
 when there may be an opportunity to speak to some of the exhibiting artists.

For the Art Exhibition a number of people will be required to welcome visitors and general supervision of the halls, including the sales table. If you are available 18th - 20th May please speak to Claire Pollock or any member of the Committee.

*Sunday*                    10.30am Rev Wilfred Orr  
*21st May*

**Music at St John's**  
**Saturday 27th May, 7.30pm**  
**Featuring**  
 Voices Together Community Choir and Releasing  
 Rhythms African Drumming Group  
 Proceeds in aid of **Save a Heart Nigeria**  
 Suggested donation at the door £10.00 including  
 light refreshments

*Sunday*                    10.30am 'Save a Heart' with Prof OC and Nigerian Team.  
*28th May*

*Sunday*                    10.30am Communion Service  
*4<sup>th</sup> June*

*Sunday*                    10.30am Children's Day Service  
*11<sup>th</sup> June*

*Wednesday  
14th June*

**PW Outing:** We are planning an outing on Wednesday, 14th June. We will have lunch at 12.30pm in the White Horse Inn in Saintfield and go on to Rowallan Gardens just outside Saintfield. If you would like to go please let Hilary know ASAP.

**Uganda Trip:** we will be teaching some sewing in Uganda and would like to give the girls a hand sewing kit each. We need: Needles, pins, thread, scissors, tape measures, buttons, poppers, thimbles. If you could supply any of these we would be grateful.

**Squirrels fundraising for Uganda:** The Squirrels are having a duck race to raise funds to buy sewing machines for Bethel Christian Primary School. Ducks, price £2 each, can be purchased from Marjorie or Catherine (or any Squirrel) in the foyer after the service. Please help if you can.

Are you interested in volunteering as part of a huge global gathering? The L'Arche Assembly is happening in June, and L'Arche International is looking for help with welcoming & directing 500 delegates on 20th June in Belfast & 25<sup>th</sup> June in Downpatrick. Come along to a Volunteer Induction to hear more: Saturday 13th May, 10.30am - 12noon, St Bride's Hall, 38 Derryvolgie Avenue. Contact: [belfast17volunteers@larche.com](mailto:belfast17volunteers@larche.com), 073 9141 8760