Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church Announcements: 1st March, 2020

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

Tuesday 3rd March

7.00pm Presbytery Communion Service in Newtownbreda Presbyterian Church. Speaker: Rev Dr William Henry - Moderator of General Assembly.

8.00pm Asante in the Cairns Room. Alan Chambers will be speaking to us about 'Rural Crafts'. All members and friends of the congregation are most welcome.

4th March

Wednesday 10.30am Pins & Needles will meet in the Cairns Room. All welcome.

> 7.30pm - 9.00pm Choir at Easter: to all our 'Newtownbreda Irregulars' who join us for special occasions, please come along to sing Palm Sunday and Easter music this year. The Easter practices start this Thursday 4th March at 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Megaw Room; we will be delighted to see you all there.

Thursday 5th March

Koinonia 10.30am Our speaker will be Sandra Robinson. from Cinnamon Tree Craft, who will demonstrate and display her craft items.

Friday 6th March 7.30pm World Day of Prayer: Praying with Zimbabwe. Knockbreda Methodist Church. This is no longer just for ladies, it's a service for EVERYONE.

Saturday 7th March

10.00am A Walk for Women. Bomoko NI (Northern Ireland Refugee and Asylum seekers Women) warmly invite the women of Newtownbreda to a walk to Titanic Quarter. Meet up point to TBC. Please contact Janet for confirmation.

The is the first of a a series of different walks every Saturday ending on 25th April. Hope you can make some, if not all, of these walks!

General

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.

Sunday 7.00pm **Presbytery Rally** in Saintfield Road Presbyterian 8th March Church. Speaker: Rev Dr William Henry.

PW 7.45pm We are hoping to have Dr Marion Gibson -Monday 9th March 'That Disastrous Woman' - her own words!!! Marion will be sharing with us her work among individuals and communities following major disasters at home and all over the world. All are welcome to come along to hear

this most interesting lady.

Food donations: requests this week- Aptimil baby milk (not other brands); tinned potatoes; deodorant; washing powder/liquid/tabs.

Thursday Morning Bible Study: for the next few weeks we will be considering Lent through the lens of humility, friendship, charity, words, money and reconciliation. If you would like to be part of this, we meet in Megaw Room 10.30am - 12noon. Bible Study notes can be found in the Fover.

12th March - Humility & Friendship

25th March - Charity & Words

8th April - Money & Reconciliation

Sunday

Our Girl Guides are planting trees on Sunday afternoon, 15th March at Lorne, the Girl Guide Centre near Holywood to celebrate their 100th birthday.

> If any past-members, friends or supporters would like to come along to take part, please give your name and contact details to Ken Orr of the eco-committee after this service. There is also a poster in the Halls Foyer with contact information to register for the event.

Tuesday 7.00pm **Finance Sub-Committee** in the Church Office. 17th March 7.45pm Congregational Committee in the Megaw Room.

HOLD THE DATE!

Tuesday 31 March at 7.30 p.m. Music in St. John's

A Concert with The Belfast Phoenix Choir

Conductor: Mark McGrath

This event is in memory of Edith Callaghan, a much loved member of both the Phoenix and St John's Newtownbreda choirs.

Entrance by Donation (suggested £10)

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 are planning an auction of goods and talents on FRIDAY 1ST MAY - PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE.

This is how you can help us:

- 1) While you are spring cleaning, please gather preloved items which would be suitable for auction. If you would help moving your items, please contact Scott Guiler, 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 or perhaps you know a local business/restaurant who would be willing to offer a voucher?
 - There is a sign-up sheet on the noticeboard in the Foyer check what others have already offered if you need ideas and 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 1st May.

Thank you, the Catering Committee

Koinonia Annual Outing - Advance Notice

This will be on Thursday 21 May via the Antrim Coast Road to Glenarm Castle and will include a tour of the beautiful Castle Gardens and lunch. Please contact Irene Younge or any member of the Committee to reserve a place.