

Human Sexuality - Having Good Conversations on Difficult Topics

After our first meeting on 22 January, there will be a further conversation on Sunday 4 June at 7pm when we will explore in more detail what the Bible teaches about human sexuality.

Everyone is welcome to come along.

We congratulate Ken McGuffin and Helen Fee who were married on 7 January 2017.

We welcomed into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism

Amelia Martha Kane
daughter of Amanda & Andrew
on 5 February 2017

We give thanks to God for those who now celebrate the fulness of life:
Jackie Carson on 9 February 2017

As a 'thank you' to all who faithfully serve within the life of church, we are hosting a Volunteers Evening on Thursday 11 May in the Dock Cafe between 6.30-8.30pm.

An Easter Reflection

The death of Jesus on the cross has a wider reaching impact than we tend to appreciate. It is much more than simply meaning that Jesus died to redeem us, but that his self-giving sacrifice was part of God's plan to restore his creation.

The resurrection of Jesus was the fulfilment of God's plan of renewing his creation. In raising Jesus from the dead, God was showing that death had been defeated and that we have been invited to share in God's story, as those who reflect the image and likeness of God into his creation.

So as the church, as Easter people, we seek to show God's love and grace into our community, which is why we have been praying for our community during Lent. It is our prayer that those in our local community will know God's love and salvation in Christ.

The deadline for material for the annual church magazine is Sunday 7 May. Please send by email to Sylvia Maxwell sylviamaxwell45@gmail.com



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WORSHIP SERVICES IN APRIL
INCLUDING HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

2 April at 11am
Presidential Visit
with the Rev Bill Mullally

2 April at 7pm
Praise Service

9 April at 11am
Palm Sunday

9 April at 7pm
United Palm Sunday

12 April at 7.30pm
Holy Week Worship

13 April at 7.30pm
Maundy Thursday Communion

14 April at 7.30pm
Good Friday Tenebrae Service

16 April at 11am
Easter Morning All-age Communion

16 April at 7pm
United Easter Worship

Good Friday Prayer

The church will be open for private prayer between 12noon until 3pm. A written prayer guide will be available for your devotions.

Refreshments will be provided.

Holy Saturday Prayer Breakfast

From 8.45am-10am
in the Church Halls
Everyone is welcome.



PRAYER PHONE NUMBER

073 9850 1495

Feel free to text through a prayer or join the network and receive prayer texts.



Girls' Brigade
Display
Friday 7th April
at 7pm

CHRISTIAN AID
SUNDAY

14th May 2017 - We
will have a soup and
bread lunch after

Morning Worship to raise funds for Christian Aid. Please plan to attend and enjoy some fellowship.



Our next Messy
Church will be on
21 May at
3.30-5.30pm.

GIFT DAY

We plan to hold a Gift Day on Sunday 21 May as we seek to raise funds for a Community & Family Worker, and to modernise the vestibule area of the church. Detailed information will be given through a letter to every household in the church.