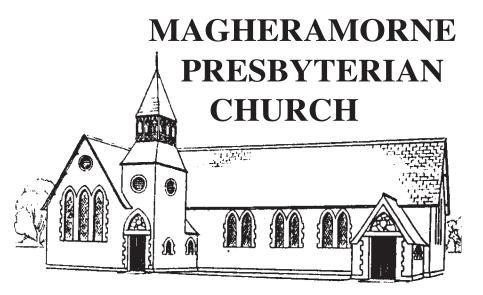
INFORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL and BIBLE CLASS	Sundays at 10.00am. Children will go into church and come out after the children's story.
C.E. PRE-JUNIORS & JUNIORS	(Pre school to P7) Fridays (10th, 17th and 24th) from 6.45-7.45pm
C.E. INTERMEDIATE	(1st year and up) Fridays (10th and 24th) from 8.00-9.00pm
YOUTH FELLOWSHIP	(1st year and up) £1 per night. From 6.30-8.00pm Sunday 12th in Raloo Sunday 26th in Magheramorne
YARNS	Tuesdays 7th & 21st at 7.30pm
FLOWERS	Margaret Liddle 5th & 12th Valerie McKee 19th & 26th
PW	Tuesday 14th at 2.30pm PW Mission Boxes returned to Church during November
MUMS & TOTS	Thursdays from 9.30-11.30am except Thursday 2nd
OLD TIME SEQUENCE DANCING	Mondays at 8.00pm
DEATH	Maree Boyd - 6th October



Prayer and Information Diary

November 2023

Please use the enclosed suggestions in your private prayers, supplementing them with your own ideas, to pray for your Church each day.

Memory Verse

We fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:18)

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PRELIMINARY NOTICES

Friday 1st December - Christmas Lights switch on at 7pm.

Sunday 10th December - Toy collection for Salvation Army.

LARNE FOODBANK:

Items for this month: Instant mash or tinned potatoes, tinned custard or rice pudding, tinned fruit, coffee, tinned meat, breakfast cereal, biscuits, long grain rice and cartons of long life fruit juice.

Mission Aviation Fellowship: Box at the back of the church to collect new and used postcards which will be sent to Mission Aviation Fellowship as part of their fund-raising.

Used Stamps: Box at the back of the church to collect used stamps

Rev Dr Cecil Grant - Tel: 07989 353732

SERVICES

5th	10.00 am	Communion, no Sunday school - Rev Robert Bell
		Everyone is invited to stay for a cuppa after the service
12th	10.00 am	Remembrance Sunday - Rev Johnston Lambe
19th	10.00 am	Morning Worship - Rev Hiram Higgins
26th	10.00 am	Morning Worship - Rev Hiram Higgins

Confident in Christ

Rev Dr Sam Mawhinney of Adelaide Road Presbyterian Church, Dublin is the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland for 2023/2024. It is the first time since 2000 our Assembly will be chaired by a Moderator from the Republic of Ireland.

At the opening night of the General Assembly Dr Mawhinney introduced his theme for the year, "Confident in Christ"

He said "This is my call to myself and the Church of Jesus Christ and particularly to PCI. Let us be confident in Christ, let us build on the rock. Let us hold to his words in the Scriptures and let us build lives and communities that will stand and thrive in the reality of our present world, without criticism, cowering, capitulation or caving in and to do that with confidence"

Referencing the difficulties the Church faces today, he commented: "Society tends to be intolerant of contrary views, and when contrary views are expressed, they are assessed, it seems, primarily by how they make the recipient feel rather than the merit of the argument. Contrary views are often cancelled, and it is becoming harder to get a hearing for the Church in the public square. So, we live in post-Christian times- the Christian message is now not seen as good news, there is hostility towards the church, from an increasing number of quarters; these are the storms that we face."

He continued: "The speed of the change has been breath-taking and for those of us who live in the Republic of Ireland, in 2015 a majority of people in the state affirmed that marriage would be between two people irrespective of the sex of each partner. Then abortion was legalised through the repeal of the 8th Amendment in May 2018...Two foundation blocks of Christian teaching for society, marriage and the sanctity of life in the womb, were rocked and we felt the seismic ripples beneath our feet."

He concluded: "Confidence in Christ comes when we know him, obey him and live in community with others who seek to follow him as disciples within the Church with a focus that is outward and missional. This is how Jesus has built his Church throughout the last two millennia and it is how Christians have survived and thrived despite the hostility of the world in every generation... Let us be confident in Christ. Let us build well, let us dig down deep into Christ and his Word, for his glory alone." (*Taken from the Presbyterian Herald – September edition*)