

## Church Announcements

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

1<sup>st</sup> Advent Sunday

Welcome to our Sunday morning service. Today, we continue our series on 'Real People – Real Prayers'. Ben will be speaking on Mary's Prayer (Lk 1:46-55).

We are planning to have a very brief **Congregational Meeting this Sunday** straight after the morning service.

### **Sunday services (additional information):**

For those who cannot attend in person, please join us at 11am on

[www.srpc.org.uk/sunday-services](http://www.srpc.org.uk/sunday-services):

- on the website/YouTube [www.youtube.com/saintfieldroad](http://www.youtube.com/saintfieldroad)
- on podcast [www.srpc.podbean.com](http://www.srpc.podbean.com) or download app.
- and on DVD (contact church office).

Thanks for all the New Pastorates Data Sheets which have already been returned to the office. **Please keep those coming in** so that we can make any changes you require. Thanks so much.

### **LIFE GROUPS & ALPHA.**

<b>Alpha Course</b>	3 Royal Lodge Park	7pm	Sunday
<b>Alistair's group</b>	Chambers Room	5pm	Sunday
<b>Young Adults (17-24)</b>	Youth Room	7pm	Sunday
<b>Ken &amp; Evelyn's group</b>	Chambers Room	7pm	Sunday
<b>Ali T's Group</b>	Sensory Room	7pm	Sunday
<b>Grace's Group</b>	7 School Road, BT5 7UA	8.30pm	Tuesday
<b>Ruth &amp; Alf's Group</b>	16 Marina Park	8pm	Wednesday

If you would like to be part of a group but are not sure which group to go to, please contact Jonny/Claire Cockerill on 07801 334802 or one of the group leaders.

**FLOWERS.** THANK YOU to **Joan Charlton/ Lesley Burns** for kindly donating flowers for the Sunday service. It is very much appreciated.

**Craft Fair at Orangefield Presbyterian** (9<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 2pm). Organised by Jan Knox – Fundraising for Moldova YFC.

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Tues 05.12. @ 6.30pm** **PW Christmas Dinner.** Catering by Farm House Treat. This takes place in the Minor Hall @ SRPC.

**Fri 08.12. @ 10.30am** **Friday Café.**

**Sat 09.12. @ 2.30-3.30pm** **Linking Generations** Christmas Party. It would be helpful to let us know if you intend to come (and need a lift).

**Tues 12.12. @ 2.15pm** **Tuesday Break.** Favourite carols and Advent readings. Please, let Ben know any more favourite carols by today.

**Wed 13.12. @ 7.30pm** **Prayer gathering.**

**Storehouse.** As we are challenged to think how we can help those going through difficult times, please remember Storehouse. Any non-perishable goods would be useful with a particular request for **long-life milk, cooking oil, sugar, tinned tomatoes and snacks (biscuits, crisps etc)** this week. THANK YOU.

**CMF NI are delighted to invite you to our carol service.** The evening is free to attend and is open to all members of the health service including nurses, midwives, dentists, all allied health professionals, students and administrative staff. Please do consider joining with us and praying for the evening. Tickets are available from eventbrite. They aren't essential but would help us plan for numbers. [Carol Service for Healthcare Staff and Friends Tickets, Thu 7 Dec 2023 at 19:30 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carol-service-for-healthcare-staff-and-friends-tickets-thu-7-dec-2023-at-19:30)

### **Ireland in Christmas Praise LIVESTREAM!**

We are delighted to announce today that we are live-streaming our Christmas concert on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December. Join us from the comfort of your own home to celebrate the Christmas story with the New Irish Choir & Orchestra, Youth Choir & special guests.

Watch live and re-watch as often as you like until January 10<sup>th</sup>!

Livestream Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/livestream-ireland-in-christmas-praise-2023-tickets-757725115217?aff=oddtcreator>