

What's On

WHAT?	DAY	TIME	WHERE
Mother's Union	3rd Thurs of month	3.00 pm	St Aidan's
Thursday Group	2nd Thurs of month	2.00 pm	St Aidan's
Baby Cafe	Wed morning	10.00-11.00	St Mary Magdalene
Toddlers	Wed morning	11.30-12.30	St Mary Magdalene
Women's Group	Thurs morning	10.00-12.00	St Mary Magdalene

New sermon series

Starting in January we'll be taking a break from John's Gospel to think about church. What is it? Why do we meet? What's our purpose?

It's our prayer that as we learn more about our shared life together, each of us will find *A Place to Belong*



The Irish Men's Convention 2024

Tickets are now on sale for IMC 2024. It'll be a great day of Bible teaching and worship with men from churches right across the country.

I'd love to bring a big group of men from our churches along, so please let me know asap if you'd like to come and we can book as a group.

Tickets are £19 each, or £14 for students/over 65s. If money would stop you coming, please let me know and we can get you a ticket - I'd rather you came than missed out!

Ross



We would like to extend thanks to Ross and Emma for their very kind hospitality over the past few months, when we were invited into their beautiful home, for afternoon tea and scones. We wish them and the boys every blessing in the future.

Inner South Belfast Mission Area

St Aidan, St Mary Magdalene, St Simon with St Philip



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Epiphany



When they saw the star, they were overjoyed

Matthew 2:10

January 2024



JANUARY SERVICES



7th January	United – St Aidan 10.00 am—Service of the Word		
Lead / Preach	Rev Ross Mungavin		
Reader/s	Margaret Close		
Prayers	John Collins		
Readings	Psalm 133:1-3 1 John 4:7-21		
14th January			
	St Aidan 10.00	St Simon 11.30	St Mary Magdalene 11.30
Service	Service of the Word	Service of the Word	Morning Prayer
Lead / Preach	Ven Barry Forde/ Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde	Rev Ross Mungavin
Reader/s	Robert Redpath	Karen Mills	Jacqueline Stephenson
Prayers	Alan Serplus	Billy Hughes	Rev Ross Mungavin
Readings	Deuteronomy 7:6-10 2 Corinthians 4:1-12	Deuteronomy 7:6-10 2 Corinthians 4:1-12	Isaiah 49:1-7 Matthew 28:16-20
21st January			
	St Aidan 10.00	St Simon 11.30	St Mary Magdalene 11.30
Service	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Holy Communion
Lead / Preach	Ven Barry Forde/ Rev Ross Mungavin	Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde
Reader/s	Anne Hunter	Billy Hughes	Jane Stewart
Prayers	Ven Barry Forde	Karen Mills	Ven Barry Forde
Readings	Psalm 95:1-7 Hebrews 10:19-25	Psalm 95:1-7 Hebrews 10:19-25	Deuteronomy 7:6-10 2 Corinthians 4:1-12
28th January			
	St Aidan 10.00	St Simon 11.30	St Mary Magdalene 11.30
Service	Service of the Word	Service of the Word	Morning Prayer
Lead / Preach	Ven Barry Forde/ Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde	Rev Ross Mungavin
Reader/s	John Collins	Karen Mills	Kate Irving
Prayers	Rev Ross Mungavin	Billy Hughes	Rev Ross Mungavin
Readings	Psalm 23 2 Timothy 4:1-8	Psalm 23 2 Timothy 4:1-8	Psalm 95:1-7 Hebrews 10:19-25

Readers should inform Rev Ross Mungavin if they are unavailable to read on the selected date

SUNDAY 4th FEBRUARY at 10.00 am

The United Service will take place in

St Aidan's

This year our focus is 'Strengthening our Foundations'

Part of how we do that is making sure our shared life together serves our mission to reach the lost and build the church for God's glory. Earlier this year in May, a decision was made to trial services at 10.00 am in one church and have two services at 11:30 am in the other two. It was agreed that St Simon's would have a go at the earlier service first, from July to December, and St Aidan's would trial it from January to June.

St Simon's have really appreciated having the earlier service – some have even asked if we could just keep the service at this time! As Select vestries and Ministers we felt it was best to stick to the plan that was agreed by all three churches earlier this year, but that it would be useful to revisit these conversations in the near future.

So, from **Sunday 7th January our United service in St. Aidan's service will come forward to 10:00 am.** On following Sundays, St Simon's will move back to 11:30 am and St. Mary Magdalene will remain at the same time. We've decided to trial having our **United Services at the earlier time of 10:00am** as this will allow us to have more time for fellowship over tea and coffee afterwards.

We're really grateful to God for everything he's doing in our churches and would ask for your prayers as we continue to work out what the future holds for us.



Prayer Central

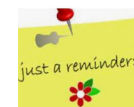
The next Prayer Central will be held on

**Wednesday 3rd January
at 7.30 pm in St Aidan's Church**

I'd love to encourage you to come along. Aside from our Sunday gatherings, this is a most important point in the month for our churches because it's the time when we can bring our needs and the needs of the world before God!

We'll have prayers written out that you can pray into yourself and join in the 'Amens', or you can pray out loud. We want everyone to feel able to come and join in!

Please do your best to attend.



..... to return all FWO envelopes for 2023.

..... there are still some dates available on the St Mary Magdalene 2024 Flower List. Please see Kate if you'd like to secure one.