!BLACKSTAFF SNOOKER CLUB!

ot the reds and screw back for the yellow, green, brown, blue, pink and black - snooker loopy nuts are we, we're all snooker-loopy! Here in the Blackstaff Mission Area we're always looking for ways to engage with people from our parishes. As one of the only Church of Ireland Churches with not one but two full size snooker tables, we've got a unique way of connecting with people!

On **Thursday 9th May at 7:30 pm,** we're launching the Blackstaff Snooker Club which will meet once a month and help us make connections with people.

Please pray that God would use our snooker club to bring people into contact with church, and subsequently with the Lord Jesus.

Ross

Could the Blackstaff Mission Snooker Club produce the next Alex Higgins? Did any of you ever play in the Jam Jar—the home of the one and only Hurricane?

HOLY BAPTISM

Name	Date of Baptism	Church
Meadow Meehan	14th April	St Aidan
Cole Armstrong	28th April	St Mary Magdalene

We extend our deepest sympathies to all who have been bereaved together with the assurance of our thoughts and prayers.

Nunc Dimittis

Name	Date of	Date of	Church
	Death	Burial	
Edna May Ballantine	9th April	18th April	St Mary Magdalene
Lillian Coard	20th April	30th April	St Simon

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Aidan, St Mary Magdalene, St Simon with St Phili?

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Dear all

ur reading from John's Gospel last Sunday reminded us that Jesus gives water to thirsty souls and I'd love to invite you to be praying that our churches would each be wells where people can come to find the living waters of the Holy Spirit that Jesus promises.

Rev Ross Mungavin



Picture of Jacob's Well in Nablus, Israel, where
Jesus met with the Samaritan woman.
Water is still found in this well today.

May 2024



MAY SERVICES



5th May	United – St Simon 12.30 pm—Service of the Word					
Lead / Preach	Rev Ross Mungavin/Rev Richard Balmer					
Reader/s	Billy Hughes					
Prayers	Ven Barry Forde					
Readings	Psalm 67 Colossians 4:2-6					
12th May	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	Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde			
Reader/s	Emma Mungavin	Rev Ross Mungavin	Bill Jeffrey			
Prayers	Alan Serplus	Billy Hughes	Ven Barry Forde			
Readings	Psalm 27:1-14 John 8:12-30	Psalm 27:1-14 John 8:12-30	TBC			
19th May	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	Ven Barry Forde	Rev Ross Mungavin			
Reader/s	Liz Adair	Ven Barry Forde	Libby Garstang			
Prayers	Rev Ross Mungavin	Billy Hughes	Rev Ross Mungavin			
Readings	Isaiah 63:7-16 John 8:31-59	Isaiah 63:7-16 John 8:31-59	Psalm 27:1-14 John 8:12-30			
26th May	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	Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde			
Reader/s	Anne Hunter	Billy Hughes	Eddie Gill			
Prayers	Ven Barry Forde	Rev Ross Mungavin	Ven Barry Forde			
Readings	Daniel 7:9-14 Revelation 1:1-8	Daniel 7:9-14 Revelation 1:1-8	Isaiah 63:7-16 John 8:31-59			

We are blessed to be joined by the Rev Richard Balmer, team leader of BCMS Crosslinks to Ireland, who will be preaching for us at our united service on 5th May.

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

FAMILY WORKER

It was with regret that we learned of the resignation of Mrs Alison Shaw who has been with us for twelve years as family worker for the parishes of St Aidan's and St Mary Magdalene. Alison leaves us to take up a new position as Community Chaplin within the Larder Ministry in East Belfast. We are very thankful to Alison for all the work and service she has given over the years and wish her every blessing as she embarks upon this new role.

Alison's last day will be Tuesday 14th May but we are pleased to know that she will attend our next united service on 2nd June in St Aidans's, when we will have the opportunity to say an official goodbye.

The June United Service will be held on Sunday 2nd June at 10.00 am in St Aidan's Church

Prayer Central

The June Prayer Central will be held in St Mary Magdalene on Wednesday 5th June at 7.30 pm

Please do your best to attend

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Church	Date	Time
St Mary Magdalene	Monday 13th May	11.00 am
Blackstaff Mission Area	Monday 13th May	7.00 pm in St Aidan's

The Select Vestries of St Aidan's and St Simon's will not meet in May