

DO WE HAVE YOUR DETAILS?

Would you like to be on our church records in order to be connected into Ballyloughan? Are the details we have for you up to date? If you'd like to be on our church database, or wish to change your details, then simply complete the 'register your details' form at ballyloughanchurch.org.uk/hello (or scan the QR code) or complete one of our cards on Sunday and return to a member of the welcome team.



JOIN A SERVE TEAM

We're so thankful for everyone who serves Jesus through our church family in some way, both on Sundays and throughout the week. Being part of a team is a great way to serve Jesus, love others and get to know others within our church family. Everything that happens in Ballyloughan is made possible by TEAM. We want to be a church where everyone serves somewhere, so that no-one is trying to serve everywhere!



To discover various opportunities to serve, see the '**Join a Serve Team**' page on our website (scan the QR code) or speak with Darran or another one of our leaders.

TEAMS for Sunday 5th May

Welcome	Stephen Burns, Claire Gibson, Karl Redmond, Stevie Smyth, Trevor & Karen Duncan, Tony Farquhar, Edith Wilson, Sharon Backus & Liz Craig.		
Info Point	Johanna	Co-ordinator	George Backus
Media	Richard W, Kirsty, Robyn, Caleb & Stuart.		
Thrive	Judith Gordon, Ashlene Alexander, Joy Moody, Sonia & Stephen Burns, Rachel Steele, Edith & Stephen Wilson, Gillian Francey, Sam & Danielle Mullan & Jessie Houston.		

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Ballyloughan Church

Growing followers of Jesus who

LOVE GOD | LOVE EACH OTHER | LOVE GOD'S WORLD

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS 28th April 2024

2024
EVERYONE
BEARING FRUIT FOR JESUS

Welcome to Ballyloughan!

Whether you're part of our church family, exploring faith, or looking for a church you can call home, it's great to have you with us. We pray that through worship today you will encounter God and experience much hope and encouragement. If you're new to Ballyloughan, please do say hello and ask for one of our Welcome Packs at our 'hello & welcome' point. Why not also check out the 'Hello & Welcome' page of our website for more info and next steps you can take?

Sunday Services at 9.30am & 11.00am.

Join others for a cuppa between the morning services.

Livestream Service at 11.00am available on our website & YouTube Channel.

Youth Breakfast takes place at 10.00am in the North Room

Youth & Children

Our **Thrive** programme for children in nursery school to Primary 7 takes place during the 11.00am service. Children will leave during the Service and return to their parents / responsible adult during the final praise.

SOLID for young people in school years 8-10 takes place fortnightly during the service - none today.

BoB Creche: You can leave your babies / toddlers with our team during the Service - ask a member of the Welcome Team for directions!

We have a **Quiet Room** available for any children who might feel overwhelmed or experience sensory overload. Ask one of our team.

Prayer Ministry

Members of our prayer ministry team are available to pray with you at the end of the Service at the front of the church building.

THIS WEEK...

// MONDAY

Tots & Co. for parents, grandparents, carers, babies & tots, 10.00am – 12noon.

// TUESDAY

Early Morning Prayer in the Welcome Area, running from 7.00am to 7.45am. Everyone welcome!

Foodbank. Open from 6.30pm to 7.30pm to receive 'drop offs' of food donations and arrange stock. Speak with Pauline if you want to find out more.

M.O.B. (Men of Ballyloughan) at 7.30pm. A very informal night when we'll have a few activities going on, some healthy team competition as well as some space just to chat, some healthier snacks (!), and a slot during the night on 'body matters.' Just turn up on the night at 7.30pm.

// WEDNESDAY

Over a cuppa, an opportunity to drop in for a cuppa & chat, is open between 10.00am and 12 noon. Please note this is the final day of 'Over A Cuppa' for this session. It will reopen again in September.

Church Family Meeting. An AGM of the congregation will take place this Wednesday at 8.00pm. As well as updates on our church, we will be asking voting members to confirm the election of our 4 new ruling elders: Kenneth Johnston, Stephen Johnston, Richard Nevin and Phil Small.

// THURSDAY

The Open Door opens from 10.00am to 12 noon in the North Room, as a place for people to come to a welcoming environment, have a cuppa, a chat and a listening ear. For those who need it, there's also help from Foodbank, or signposting to other sources of help.

Thursday Lunch Club for those aged 60+. 12.30pm. If you would like to come along, please sign up at the information point in the Welcome Area today or contact Norman McDowell (07853 215774).

Community Youth Club for young people in Primary 6 to school Year 10 - meets from 7.15pm – 8.30pm.

Membership Session takes place from 7.30pm – 9.00pm.

// FRIDAY

The Mix our programme for young people of secondary school age - meets from 8.15 – 10.15pm.

// NEXT SUNDAY (5TH MAY)

Sunday Services at 9.30am & 11.00am. **Thrive** (for nursery & primary school age) and **SOLiD** (for school years 8-10) take place during the 11.00am service.

Monthly Kingdom Come Worship and Prayer at 7.00pm. Everyone welcome as we worship and pray for God's Kingdom to come and will to be done.

OTHER NEWS & COMING DATES...

Membership Session. A session for those who have at some stage completed the Belong Course and wish to take the step to becoming a full member of Ballyloughan will take place on Thursdays 2nd & 30th May at 7.30pm - 9.00pm. Choose between one of these sessions to attend. To register, speak with Darran or register via our website.

Love North Ballymena. This year's Love North Ballymena, where we use Wednesday nights during the months of May and June to connect further with our local community, will begin with a **launch night on Wednesday 8th May at 7.30pm.** In the meantime, you might want to have a think about getting involved in one of this year's teams: 'Games Team' for children up at 'the Green' in Dunclug, 'Hello Team' team calling at homes, 'Hub Team' chatting with people up at the Green, 'Cleanup Team' during some of the weeks, and the 'Prayer Team' praying for the community.

Dementia Friendly Service. We're holding a special Dementia Friendly Service on Sunday 12th May, the start of Dementia Action Week, at 3.00pm. Sometimes crowded, long or noisy services can be difficult for those living with dementia to cope with. This short, quiet service, consisting of much that is familiar, aims to help those living with some form of dementia and their carers to worship meaningfully and enjoy some fellowship with others.

Safeguarding Training. All those working with children, youth and vulnerable adults are required to complete our denomination's 'Taking Care' safeguarding training every 3 years (without exception). A training evening will take place on Monday 13th May, 7.30pm - 9.30pm. It is essential that everyone currently working with or planning in the future to work with children, youth and vulnerable adults attend. Please save the date and plan to attend.

Power Up 2024! Wednesday 14th – Friday 16th August, 6.30pm – 8.00pm. Power Up is back this summer for 3 fun-filled nights! As always, Power Up can't happen without your help and we have a number of different roles depending on your gifting. Whether it's leading from the front or organising juice & biscuits, we would love you to be part of Power Up this year. If you can help out, please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Welcome Area, or speak with Sarah Woods (07729 452379).