

Monday 1st

At this time of crisis pray that in all our arguments and discussions in political life both people and leaders will speak carefully and respectfully and that journalists will report with the same care and respect.

Tuesday 2nd

Continue to pray for all whose lives have been devastated by cyclone Idai, for those who bring help and for those in authority.

Wednesday 3rd

Pray for our young people, exposed to ideas and customs older generations couldn't have imagined and to the temptations of drugs, alcohol and pornography.

Thursday 4th

Thank God for the way PW brings many of our women together in fellowship and pray for their final monthly meeting of the year.

Friday 5th

Pray for all caught up in the dreadful civil war in Yemen. Ask God for peace, mercy and justice here and in other areas (Syria, S Sudan, Afghanistan) now coming out of conflict.

Saturday 6th

Pray that the Men's Breakfast today will be a time to talk and a time to learn how to serve God better.

Sunday 7th

Pray for the preaching and the hearing of God's word in the evening service, a time of day when some of us find it easier to turn to God. Pray for the Lord's guidance about the time and pattern of our worship.

Monday 8th

Pray that the Holy Spirit will fire the hearts and guide the thoughts of elders as they meet in Session.

Tuesday 9th

Pray for those in our congregation, who are sick, especially those with long term debilitating illnesses. Remember their families and carers and as you pray ask for wisdom to understand their needs.

Wednesday 10th

Remember the Friendship Club and thank God that our older members have this opportunity of meeting each other regularly

Thursday 11th

Pray that tomorrow the boys in the BB will enjoy showing their parents and friends what they have been doing this year. Give thanks for new officers and helpers and pray that they will find fulfilment in serving Jesus in this way.

Friday 12th

Pray that whatever happens about Brexit God will lead our country, our leaders and our people in His way, though that way may not be easy.

Saturday 13th

Pray for safety on our roads and for those, young or old who think they are better drivers than they really are.

Sunday 14th Palm Sunday

The crowd were so glad to welcome Jesus on Palm Sunday but turned away. Pray for faith to follow Him wherever He leads.

Monday 15th

Pray for American bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Eric Menees as he preaches at the Holy Week services.

Tuesday 16th

Pray for mothers and all who care for babies and young children – for health, energy, patience and love.

Wednesday 17th

Pray for those who mourn, especially for those who have become trapped in grief. Thank God for the people you yourself miss and for what they meant to you.

Thursday 18th

As we meet in communion this evening pray that unity among Christians in Carrick will go beyond friendly conversation.

Friday 19th Good Friday

Pray for all who receive a gospel message in our outreach at the De Courcy Centre today and for all who are reminded of God's love this weekend. Pray that many will come to Joymount and other churches on Sunday.

Saturday 20th

Remember all our members living in Residential or Nursing Homes. Pray for them and their families and for those who have no friends or family close to them.

Sunday 21st Easter

Jesus is risen! Praise God and ask Him to let this truth change us and the people around us.

Monday 22rd

A time to celebrate! Enjoy the day, thank God for his goodness and remember before Him the sad, the lonely, the unbelieving.

Tuesday 23rd

Pray for the committee, volunteers and clients of the Child Contact Centre and for all children of broken relationships.

Wednesday 24th

Pray for people persecuted for their faith and pray for relations between different religions. Pray that God will strengthen the voices of moderation in Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism and in Christianity too so that all may be free to seek truth.

Thursday 25th

Pray for those who organise and support our Thursday sale and pray that it may be a way of showing Christ's love to the community.

Friday 26th

Pray for the Joymount auction this evening – for fun, for bargains and for a useful sum raised for church funds. Thank God for all the preparation that has gone into it.

Saturday 27th

Thank God for people who have come to Ireland from countries across the world in recent years. Pray for those who support so many of our churches in the South, for the International Meeting Point on the Lisburn Road and for those living around us we haven't yet got to know.

Sunday 28th

Thank God for the gift of music. Pray for organist, choir, praise group and congregation that we will worship with hearts and hands and voices in church and in our daily lives.

Monday 29th

Pray for our congregational committee and all their efforts to maintain and enhance our buildings and facilities.

Tuesday 30th

Pray for people who are struggling to make ends meet, even in some cases when doing several jobs.

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