

## PRAYER DIARY

**Church Families:** Each week we pray for folks in Ballygilbert, family by family. Pray this week for: the Jackson family - Craig, Joanne, Abbie and Phoebe; the James family - Ashley, James and Elizabeth; Nessie Johnston; Margaret Johnston.

**Greenland:** Many are vexed by the machinations around Greenland, the US, and tariffs. It's confusing to say the least, but we do well to remember that the Lord is on his throne, and that his will will be done. So we can pray that conflict can be avoided, that world leaders can work together for a peaceful resolution, and for the 90% of Greenlanders who are part of the Church there. Pray that their witness to the kingship of Christ would hold them fast.

*"Many Christians lack full assurance of their salvation because their understanding of assurance is founded on the constantly changing emotions of their hearts rather than on the eternal Word of God."*

**Burk Parsons**

**Leading Edge:** Some of our elders are starting a series of courses with PCI called, "Leading Edge." They will cover a range of leadership topics and are there to serve the denomination in this period of reconfiguration. Pray that these would be useful to our elders, and congregations as we press further into 2026. Ask God to bless us with firm convictions, fresh expressions of faith, and growth in terms of our numbers and maturity.

*"The true Christian hero will appear in the cause of Christ, not when it is prevailing, but when it seems to be declining; he will be on the right side, though it be not the rising side."*

**Matthew Henry**

**Digital Resilience:** There is lots of talk about banning phones and social media for our younger teenagers on the back of Australia's new laws. Many of us recognise the dangers of going online too soon and too much. Even us adults sense we have a problem in this area sometimes. While the way forward will take the wisdom of Solomon, we can pray that we would increasingly be those who break out of the digital space and into God's Word. That will shape us in his ways because it is the only influence that matters.

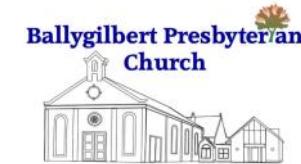
**Word for the Week:**  
From Ephesians 4.32-5.2

*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

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Please use above numbers if you need pastoral assistance or wish to inform us of a hospital stay and also when you return home again.



**Ballygilbert Presbyterian Church**  
Registered Charity: NIC 105298

**25th January 2026**

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Praise: **Guide Me Thou Great Jehovah**

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Children's Talk

Praise: **Salvation Belongs to Our God**

Scripture Readings: Ephesians 4.11-16  
& 5.1-21 (starting P1175)

The Sermon: Rev Craig Jackson  
"The Purity & Unity of the Church"

Praise: **Purify My Heart**

Offering

Prayers of Intercession

Praise: **Blest Are The Ties That Bind**

The Benediction

The flowers today are kindly provided  
by Linda Bell

## Announcements

A warm welcome to our service. If you're visiting, please make yourself known to us.

**11.00am: Sunday 1st February**

**All-Age Sunday**

"Adoption"

Rev Craig Jackson

**Crèche:** Please make use of our vestibule if you or your children need a space to move around or take a break.



CDs of the Service can be made available Let us know if you require this service for someone.



**P R A Y E R   L I N K**

Contact Yvonne 07716 129 970

For confidential and urgent prayer requests.

### **JANUARY CHURCH SURVEY**

Don't forget to give us your thoughts on all things Ballygilbert by filling in the church survey. Spare copies are available in the vestibule and can be returned to the **RED BOX**.



### **Organisation Treasurers**

**Please have your audited accounts to 31st December 2025 with the Church Treasurer TODAY.**

## **Vestry HOUR**

Craig will be in the Church office

**WEDNESDAY morning**

**9.30-12.30.**

If you need a form filled in, or just want to chat, feel free to drop in and do so.



## **Prayer Meetings**

Weekly at 8pm in the manse.

**Next Meeting: Tues 27th Jan**

(2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday each month)

You are most welcome to come pray with us.

**It's a must as a church family!**



## **Coffee & Chat**

**Monday 2nd February at 7.30pm**

Join us for Vicky's Quiz Night!

- just a bit of fun for everyone!

All ladies welcome

**Looking forward to seeing you!**

## **Ladies Coffee Morning**

All ladies are invited to join us at

Source Cafe (behind Elim Church Bangor)

**Thursday 12 February at 10.30am.** If you

need any transport or further details

please speak to Shirley, Yvonne or Jean.



## **BADMINTON**

Wednesdays 7pm-9pm

Speak to Eric Thompson for details

## **Hymns We Love**

**Wednesday 11 February 11.30am**

We will be singing and learning about, **a well known hymn.**

Followed by a light lunch. Spread the word and make sure to join us.

*If you need a lift don't hesitate to get in touch*



**Thursdays 10am-11.30am**

Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Childminders are all very welcome. Join us for fun and friendship.

## **CHURCH FLOWERS**



*The Flower Book is open in the church vestibule for booking your dates (except July/August/December)*

**BOOK OPEN NOW for 2026 DATES**

*Please contact Wendy to discuss nearer date. She can be contacted on 07836 596 101.*

## **STOREHOUSE RE-STOCK**

The need never stops and the New Year continues to be a stressful time for many. There is always great demand so please continue to support in 2026 with the usual items.



*Thank you for your support and prayers.*

*Full list of items on trolley in vestibule or at [www.storehousenorthernireland.com](http://www.storehousenorthernireland.com)*