

27TH FEBRUARY 2022

THE LOWE DOWN



COMING UP

Sunday Morning 10am

Sunday Evening 7pm

Prayer for Lowe is on the website and attached to your email. Please use this over the next month.



- Prayer Meeting on this week 7.30pm
- We have an ongoing collection for GLASS JARS in the hub, in particular smaller ones. If you could keep these and leave them, including lids, in to the Hub, Heather Currie would really appreciate it.
- Coffee Morning Saturday 5th March
- Please fill out our survey that went out on Friday about Church Service Times. We greatly value your feedback and as s Session plans Lowe's next step, it will consider all the repsonses for the good of the whole congregation.

Announcements

HAMPER MINISTRY

The next date for leaving food donations in the church foyer is Tuesday 1st March 9.30am-11.30am. ITEMS MOST NEEDED - Coffee, Rice, Pasta, Lentils, Cooking Oil, Sugar, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Tomatoes, Red Kidney beans, Tinned Fruit, Jam, Salt, Porridge Oats (NOT instant & NO other cereal please), Sanitary Towels, Deodorant (ladies & men), Washing up Liquid, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Shaving Foam, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes.

The response continues to be good & is very much appreciated by the International Meeting Point and all those in need at this time.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

New Wine 2022 in Sligo <https://www.newwineireland.org/summer-conference>

This year there'll be two shorter conferences running from

9th- 12th July

14th - 17th July

If interested in going as part of a group or need more information please speak to Helen M or Joan T .

Walking Group The Lowe Walking Group hope to commence a new season of walks, using the current recommended COVID restrictions, on Wednesday 2nd March, meeting in the Church car park at 1:30pm. All are welcome both young and old. Come and join us for a 'dander' and refreshments, weather permitting

Promiseland

On Sunday 13th March the Promiseland children will be planting some bulbs with the help of Lowe Eco Group. These will be kept on the church grounds where hopefully we can watch them grow and bloom into some pretty flowers in spring. Bring your gardening gloves if you have some, we would love to see you then!





PRAYER ROOM

This is now the season of Lent, which, this year, is from Wednesday 2nd. March until Thursday 14th. April.

Lent is a time for Spring cleaning our lives, remembering the forty days Jesus spent in the desert.

The Prayer Room has been set up with opportunities for reflection, prayer and copies of daily Lenten readings are there for you to take home, written by Ossie Macauley.

Please spend some time in the silence and solitude afforded by this lovely room. It is available anytime that the church premises are open.

CROSSROADS 22 is going ahead from 8th - 12th August This outreach to the young people and families of our wider community is hosted by four Finaghy churches under the auspices of Scripture Union.

Helpers of ALL ages and giftings will be needed! No previous experience necessary!

Please consider spending one or two hours , or days, or the whole week to be part of this exciting time in our church life. Support is needed in teams , preparing food, helping in the Hub Cafe, pouring juice (unless Joe Furphy signs up first!), and many other tasks but most vital of all in praying. Chat to Pat Martin this week (07904336030) to find out how you could serve the Lord this year in CROSSROADS.

Website

Please check our NEWS section of the website for regular updates
<https://www.lowe.church/news/>

Announcement Deadline

Please send all announcements by 11am on Thursdays.

The LORD make his face to shine upon you (Numbers 6:25)

- Our thoughts must be for the people of Ukraine in turmoil over the actions of Russia, and so Father, we pray earnestly to You to change the plans of evil men and lead to an urgent end of hostilities. We also pray, Father, for those who are injured, bereaved or homeless as a result of recent activities. We find it difficult, Father, to understand why people can behave in such a way towards their fellow-beings, and we pray for those Christians in Ukraine who are trying in such trying circumstances show the love of Christ in all they do.
- We were saddened to hear of the illness of Her Majesty the Queen and pray that You will guide her through a speedy and complete recovery. We pray, too, for all sufferers from the disease of Covid-19, and especially for all who are suffering from any form of long Covid. Be with them and with all who deal with them, either medically, spiritually or through family care and show them how they can be of greatest assistance.
- We were shocked to hear of the sudden passing of our political representative, Christopher Stalford, last weekend and we ask You to be with his family and sustain them at this extremely difficult time.
- Our friends Szuszi and Andor in Romania are going through a stressful time. Covid continues to be a major health issue throughout the country and Andor has had to lead a series of funerals of parishioners who have succumbed. Father, we thank You for the witness of Szuszi and Andor and we pray You to continue to watch over them, help them to have times of rest and personal fellowship and also, and very importantly, assist the medical profession in healing the various issues facing each member of the family.
- For our local community, we pray You to watch over the residents of the Upper Lisburn Road between the Crossroads and Black's Road, and also those of Lille Park, Kirklowe Drive, Upton Avenue and Upton Park.

Prayer Chain - The Prayer Chain continues to be available for all and confidentiality is assured. Contact Noelle Millar at 90619385 and if no response leave a message. If no response follows please call Hilary Atkinson on 92671848.