

*Sixmilecross  
Presbyterian  
Church  
Announcements  
March 2022*



**Sunday Services: 10:30 am**

<b>6 March</b>	Mr Denis Flannigan
<b>13 March</b>	Rev Roger McElnea
<b>20 March</b>	Dr Cecil Givan
<b>27 March</b>	Mr Norman Wilkinson
<b>3 April</b>	Mr Denis Flanagan

***Porch Duty:***

<b>March</b>	John Anderson and Alistair Gibson
<b>April</b>	Derek Sawyers and David Beacom

**Midweek Bible Study/Prayer Meeting** at 8:00 pm as follows:

9 March	Sixmilecross	Mr Denis Flannigan
16 March	Sixmilecross	Prayer Meeting
23 March	Sixmilecross	Mr Denis Flannigan
30 March	Sixmilecross	Prayer Meeting

### **Call of New Minister:**

Following the vote at the Congregational meeting on 28th February, Mr Robert McFaul has accepted the call to be the minister in Clogherney and Sixmilecross and will be installed later in the year. There will be an opportunity for members of the Congregation to sign the Call Papers on **Sundays 6 and 13 March.**

**Pre-Communion Classes** for all new communicants will be held in Clogherney Presbyterian Church premises each **Sunday at 3:30 pm.**

**PW** ladies are meeting for morning coffee and a chat in **Suitors Gallery, Ballygawley on Tuesday, 8 March 2022.** We will meet up in Church Carpark at **10:15 am.** If you are hoping to attend please let Helen Anderson know for estimate numbers. All ladies most welcome.

### **Mission Box Money:**

PW Ladies are reminded that the Mission Box money is now due and should be given to Helen Patterson or brought on Tuesday morning.

*All notices are subject to the will of God*

### **Appeal for Ukraine Crisis:**

Further to my letter last week calling for congregations to pray for the situation in Ukraine, tragically the bombardment of Ukraine and its people by Putin's forces has continued, and the fear and suffering of people living in the country has increased each day. The United Nations estimates 800,000 people have fled the country due to the war so far, and many more are expected to follow.

Following consultation with colleagues, today I am launching a Moderator's Appeal towards the emergency relief effort to help people in Ukraine and those fleeing the conflict. I am confident our members will respond as generously as they have on many previous occasions to similar appeals. My suggestion is that the Appeal be announced this Sunday, 6 March and over the next two weeks.

In anticipation of your response, we are immediately releasing £60,000 (€72,035) to be distributed equally to PCI's relief and development partners Christian Aid and Tearfund, and also to the Reformed Church in Hungary (Hungarian Reformed Church Aid). They are all experienced in supplying and distributing humanitarian aid and assistance, not least to refugees and displaced people fleeing regions of conflict, and whenever possible, will extend their reach into Ukraine itself.

PowerPoint slides will be made available on the PCI website [www.presbyterianireland.org](http://www.presbyterianireland.org).

Congregational contributions for the Appeal may be sent to the Financial Secretary's Department in Assembly Buildings. Cheques should be made payable to 'The Presbyterian Church in Ireland' and designated for the 'Moderator's Ukraine Crisis Appeal'. Where possible, members should be encouraged to contribute to their congregations under the gift aid scheme, with congregational treasurers sending in a total amount. The closing date for contributions to the Appeal will be 30 June 2022.

I encourage you to continue to pray, asking God that the conflict would not spread further, that those who have lost loved ones would be comforted, and those who find themselves without homes would be led to places of welcome and shelter. Pray for the Christian Churches in Ukraine, for their endurance, protection and faithful witness in face of this time of trial. Pray especially that a way might be found to bring a peaceful end to this needless war.

Yours in Christ, and with deep concern,



Rt Rev Dr David Bruce  
Moderator of the General Assembly