



Easter in our churches – 5 April

- As we gather to worship across the diocese this Easter, may we know the joy and hope of the resurrected Jesus and carry the good news of the gospel into our families and communities.
- Following on from Bishop David's Lent series about revival, we cry out for a fresh move of the Holy Spirit in Down and Dromore and throughout the island of Ireland.
- Please pray for the Easter General Vestries taking place in this season. Giving thanks for those who have served in the past year, may God raise up willing and able leaders to assume these important roles.

St Donard's Community Church, Dundrum – 12 April

Community Pastor: Colin Morris

We have four areas of focus as we seek to 'Connect People in Jesus'.

- REACH: Pray for the planning and preparation for summer outreach in Dundrum - Holiday Bible Club, Family Event, Village Festival - that all will provide an opportunity to share Jesus with others.
- GROW: Give thanks for the increasing number of people joining Grow Groups (Home Bible Study Groups). Pray that we will continue to grow as disciples of Christ.
- CARE: Pray for wisdom to know how to best care for those in need, both within our church family and those in the wider community.
- WORSHIP: Give thanks for increased Sunday attendance in recent months and pray that our Sundays will equip us to better worship in every area of our lives (at home, school, work or wherever we are).

Gilford – 19 April

Rector: Denise Caddoo

- Please join us in giving thanks for the Alpha course which has just finished. Please pray for those people who did the course, that they will continue to grow in faith.
- We would ask God's continued guidance for the Sunday school and the teaching ministry within the parish.
- We remember before God the parishioners who because of age or infirmity are no longer able to join us on Sundays for worship. May they continue to be nurtured in their faith and reassured of their value within the church family.
- Please pray that God will guide us as we seek to continue to develop links with the other churches in the area.

HOPE Church Craigavon: 26 April

Minister-in-charge: Craig Cooney

- Please pray for HOPE Church as their Minister-in-Charge, Revd Craig Cooney, is moving on at the end of June. Pray for the trustees and management team as they seek to move forward under new leadership.
- Pray that we can acquire a new building soon to accommodate significant growth in recent years. HOPE would love to have a permanent home in the heart of Craigavon as a hub to reach the local community with the gospel.
- Pray for those who have recently come to faith in Christ and for the twelve people who were baptised on Easter Sunday, that they would grow in their love for Christ and become fully committed disciples.
- Pray that HOPE would be able to find and appoint the right youth pastor to oversee our vital work with young people both within the church and the local community.
- Pray for all our teams and volunteers, that they would know the Holy Spirit's empowerment as they serve faithfully in HOPE Church.

Thank you for praying