



**Ordination of Deacons for Local Ordained Ministry – 6 September
Willowfield Church**

Please pray for those being ordained deacon to serve as Local Ordained Ministers; for wisdom, grace and the anointing of the Holy Spirit as they begin this new phase of ministry:

- Colin Birnie for St Clement's, Templemore Avenue
- James Fleming for Killycomaine Community Church

Church Planting – 13 September

The vision is to identify and plant in areas of the diocese where there is opportunity to reach de-churched and un-churched people with the gospel.

- Please pray for our existing church plants and their leaders: Moneyreagh (Revd Rory Blake-Knox), Braniel (James Crockett), The Glen (Revd Stephen Doherty), Killough (Sarah & Colin Irwin), Titanic (Ross Munro) and Killycomaine (Revd Jim Fleming).
- Pray for the release of funds to enable new church plants to go ahead. We ask that many people would grasp the vision and give generously.
- Pray for leaders who are called and willing to invest in these new ministries.

Diocesan Reader Ministry – 20 January

- We thank God for each one of the diocesan readers who volunteer their time and gifts to serve the parishes of Down and Dromore.
- Please pray for the three diocesan readers to be commissioned at a service in Holywood Parish on Monday 21 September: Lisa Currie (Drumbeg), Alan Mackie (Holywood) and Marion Wilcox (Movilla).
- Holy Spirit enliven your Word to all our readers as they preach and lead services.
- May this ministry be a source of blessing to them and the church.

Diocesan Staff Team – 27 September

- Pray for the staff team as they continue to serve the diocese in a continually changing landscape.
- For Diocesan Secretary, Roy Lawther and Diocesan Finance Officer, Brian Lavery as they oversee the running and finances of the diocese.
- For the success of the leadership and training initiatives overseen by Diocesan Development Officer, Andrew Brannigan.
- For Tracey Taggart, Personal Assistant to the bishop.
- God's blessing upon our Children's and Youth work under Julie Currie and Tim Burns.
- For effective diocesan communications under the DCO, Annette McGrath.

Thank you for praying