# **Pastoral Visiting Team**

We have a number of trained volunteers who work alongside the Rector to visit those in their homes or in Nursing Homes.

If you know of someone who would benefit from a visit on a regular basis, please get in touch.

If you would like to consider training for this ministry or that of Parish Reader, Lay Reader or Ordination, please speak to the Rector.

#### Alpha Course

Want to discover more about the Christian Faith? Have questions you would like to ask or discuss?

We will be starting the Alpha Course in the Autumn and details will be on our Parish Website and Parish Facebook Page.

#### Other Events

We really enjoy welcoming our whole community to our special events during the year. These could be summer BBQ's, Christmas Fairs, Community Carol Services, Harvest Festivals, or Concerts in the Church Hall. We also arrange outings for our senior members and many invite friends and neighbours to come along also. These are usually advertised on our parish Facebook Page. So keep a look out for them there and know that a warm welcome awaits you.







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# Thank you for taking a few moments to read this little information flyer about your local parish church.

Many people have grown up in this area, and with all the new housing developments, many have also moved here and made Mullavilly and Laurelyale their home.

We at Mullavilly Church would like to say 'Welcome' to you, if you are new to the area, and along with those who have lived here a long time, or even all their life, to welcome you to a time of worship on a Sunday, and to other events that we hold during the week at the church or church hall.

We love to welcome all ages to our church services, and with the range of services we have, there is something for everyone. We have quiet reflective services early each Sunday morning, and these are also suitable for those who prefer not to be in larger crowds.

We also have Family Services once a month at our second service, where the whole family are encouraged to come along and join in together.

But the church is not only for Sunday. There are other activities during the week that you would be welcome to come along to, and we are always open to starting new groups to meet the needs of all ages. You can find out about some of these in this leaflet.

For those who would like to be married in our church, have their baby baptised, or arrange a funeral for a loved one, we encourage you to speak to the Rector who will be more than happy to discuss any arrangements and requirements with you.

For other pastoral issues, or if you would like the Rector to call with you or your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



# Sunday Worship

#### 9.30am Holy Communion

A quiet reflective service

11.00am Morning Worship

#### **Sunday School**

The Sunday School children meet in church and then leave after the first hymn to go to the hall with their teachers. On the second Sunday in the month, they stay in church for our Family Service.

#### Church Mice

When we have a few little toddlers (pre-Sunday school age), we have a little group that they can go out to at the same time as the service is on.

Evening Services – as announced e.g. Harvest, Christmas, etc.

#### Monday

6.30pm - Rainbows (4-7 yrs.) and Brownies (8-10 yrs.) 8.00pm - Mullavilly Bowling Club - open to the whole community

# Tuesday

10.00am - 12.00pm - Bumblebees - Parent and Toddler Group

# Wednesday

10.30am - Knit & Natter - Craft Class 12.30pm - Monthly Soup Lunch - 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in month 7.30pm - Badminton Club - all ages

#### Choir/Choir Practice

'We hope to have our new organ installed in early Autumn 2024', and this will help to enhance our Sunday worship under the guidance of our Organist / Pianist and dedicated choir.

They are always up to learning new songs and hymns and would love for many more, of all ages to come along and join with them. So, if you love singing, having fun, and meeting new people, you would be made very welcome.

#### Safeguarding Trust

Mullavilly Parish is committed to adhering to the Church of Ireland Policy for Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable adults, in all its activities and events and all its volunteers have been AccessNI checked.

#### Mullavilly Outreach 'at Home' - Apple Blossom Baby Basics

Among other activities and events, the Apple Blossom Baby Basics project is part of our outreach into the wider community, taking in the SHSCT and at times beyond that. We aim to assist those who have fallen on difficult times when expecting a new baby and can provide a Moses Basket and/or a Baby Bath filled with essential items to help them get started. Sometimes we are able to provide a pram or a cot or a highchair if these are available.

All items are donated, knit, or crocheted, (new mattresses for baskets are always purchased) and are packed and prepared by a dedicated group of volunteers. We are always in need of more volunteers, if you would like to find out more, or even be on the list of helpers, you would be very welcome indeed, so please do get in touch.

# Mullavilly Outreach 'Abroad'

We as a church and parish, support and have links with a number of mission organisations, including, SAMS – South American Mission Society CMSI – Church Mission Society Ireland Bible Society – Supporting the printing of Bibles in China Leprosy Mission – Helping those in other countries who still suffer with this disease.

"There are no strangers in church, just friends you haven't met yet".