

## Corboy & Mullingar Churches

**'But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'** (Acts 1:8).

As we turn towards Spring, and the beginning of new life all around us, with the lambing and calving season well underway, and the daffodils and spring flowers coming into colour, it brings great excitement, joy and hope for what lies ahead.

And in our churches we too can need reminded of the hope that lies ahead, as we look forward in expectation for the joy of new spiritual life and growth. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they will receive power through the Holy Spirit to be witnesses for him, and not just locally, but to the ends of the earth. We have that power within us, but as God's people we must tap into that power through prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to enable us in his mission, and to work through us. We have seen the Holy Spirit already work through us and answer prayers, but we now look forward and pray in anticipation for further growth.

One of our mission goals is to have a greater presence in our communities, and be recognised as an open, accessible, caring faith group. Having our service in February broadcast nationally, and beyond was certainly one way to be noticed, and we pray God continues to bless through that. We are beginning to see other opportunities to increase our presence beyond our buildings and into our communities. Corboy Historical Society held a lecture



At Longford Historical Society Lecture

focusing on Presbyterianism in Longford and Westmeath (thanks to Jason McKeivitt for presenting this). And plans are underway for other events within our communities, participation in Mullingar St. Patrick's celebrations, and later in the year at Longford's Remembrance Service. Various other events are being planned for the summer. These things also feed into our



goal of effective outreach towards those in the wider community.

May I encourage you to pray regularly, to pray big and pray with belief as we seek God to work through us

in all we do  
in His name  
and for His  
glory.



Why not invite someone along to our Ceili. This is an informal evening for all ages, and is an opportunity to show we are a welcoming people. There will be a short epilogue as we reflect on the Patrick Story. For more content view and share the resources from [www.patrickstory.ie](http://www.patrickstory.ie)



Find out more information about what has been happening, and what is planned by checking out our websites [corboychurch.com](http://corboychurch.com) and [mullingarpresbyterian.com](http://mullingarpresbyterian.com) . Follow us on our social media as well.



## Discipleship

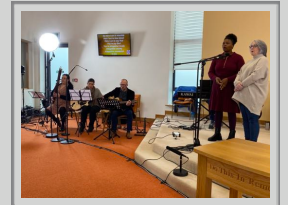
Another one of our mission goals is Spiritual Discipleship and the development of our Worship Services.



We continue to seek to grow in our knowledge and experience of God through our Bible Studies, this term focusing on a series entitled 'Developing a Heart for God.' If you are able to join these on Tuesday/Wednesday evenings, we pray you will find them challenging, and practical in your walk with the Lord. Summaries are now regularly broadcast on our Podcasts, listen in to them at a time that works best for you.

When the Bible Study isn't meeting, we are meeting in Mullingar for prayer. We want to become praying churches, and everything we do, we want to begin with prayer, seeking God's wisdom and guidance, His power to fulfil His will in our lives and mission, and to give Him thanks for answered prayer. We will be looking a bit more on prayer on Sunday's in the coming weeks.

In Mullingar over the last few months we have been developing our Praise Team to assist in leading worship on Sundays. If you can play an instrument, or are confident in leading singing, speak to Shelia or Wallace regarding this. It is a great blessing to the church, and to those involved as they serve in this way. Thanks to those who already faithfully play and lead in both churches, we are blessed and grateful for your dedication.



Praise Team practicing for RTE Service

## Coming Up...

### March

- **Sunday 1st**, Christians Against Poverty Service
- **Tuesday 3rd & 24th, 7:30pm**, Mullingar Bible Study
- **Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, 10:30am**, Oodles & Doodles
- **Wednesday 4th & 25th, 7:30pm**, Corboy Bible Study
- **Thursday 5th, 7:30pm**, Corboy AGM
- **Friday 6th, 7pm**, Grounded Youth (in Mullingar Presbyterian)
- **Saturday 15th, 6pm**, Ceili (in Mullingar Presbyterian, All Welcome)
- **Sunday 15th, 7pm**, CMI Mission Service (Muckamore, Co. Antrim, Wallace sharing about the wrk of Corboy & Mullingar)
- **Sunday 22nd**, Mullingar AGM (after morning service)
- **Friday 27th, 7pm**, Grounded Youth (in All Saints, Mullingar)

### April

- **Friday 3rd, 7:30pm**, Good Friday Service & Communion (Mullingar)
- **Sunday 5th, 10am/11:30am**, Easter Sunday Service (Corboy/Mullingar)
- **Sunday 12th, 10am/11:30am**, Compassion Sunday (Corboy/Mullingar)
- **Tuesday 14th, 28th, 7:30pm**, Mullingar Bible Study
- **Wednesday 15th, 22nd, 29th, 10:30am**, Oodles & Doodles
- **Wednesday 15th, 29th, 7:30pm**, Corboy Bible Study
- **Friday 17th, 24th 7pm**, Grounded Youth
- **Sunday 3rd May, 3pm**, Songs of Praise Service (Corboy)

Note: Rooted Young Adults, dates to be arranged, see Wallace for details.

## Get Involved...

We are called and equipped to serve God in various ways. Please pray about where God wants to use you. Help is required with the following:

- Youth Ministry (Grounded Youth & Rooted)
- Children's Ministry (Oodles & Doodles, Sunday Club)
- Welcome Team
- Tea & Coffee after church
- Music, playing and leading
- Maintaining the Grounds & cleaning the buildings  
... and other opportunities

All of us can be involved in:

- Praying for the work and mission
- Caring for each other
- Supporting the work financially
- Inviting others to come along

## PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for his love towards us, and for his grace and forgiveness.
- Thank God for his provision over the last year and his wisdom as we review and plan at our AGM's.
- Pray for and thank God for those who lead within our congregations, and especially our Treasurers and Committee, and our Kirk Sessions.
- Pray for Spiritual Growth among our congregations.
- Pray for effective outreach at the Ceili, and plans underway for summer missions.