diocese of Down & Dromore



Diocesan Prayer Focus February 2025

## Mount Merrion – 2 February Bishop's Curate: Lucy Burden

- For the Alpha Course and participants: Pray for the group currently taking the Alpha course, that each person would experience a deeper understanding of God's love and truth.
- For the community in Cregagh: Pray for the people of Cregagh, that God's peace and presence would be felt throughout the community. May relationships be strengthened, and opportunities for service and outreach flourish.
- For Contend (in Prayer) Prayer Space: Pray for our new monthly prayer space beginning in February. May it be a powerful and transformative gathering where individuals are equipped to contend in prayer for their lives, families, and community.
- For Life groups: Pray that our Life Groups would continue to be a place of genuine fellowship, spiritual growth, and mutual encouragement. Ask God to continue to strengthen the bonds between members, fostering a deep sense of community and support.

## St John's Orangefield – 9 February

Rector: Ross Wilson

- We thank God for his continued blessing on our *Baby Bank* over 100 families have been helped in Jesus' name over the last year.
- Pray for our children and young people as we continue to look for an *Under 18s Ministry Facilitator.* Thank God for the team who regularly and enthusiastically run programmes for our under 18s.
- Pray for God's guidance and support as the church enters a period of vacancy at the end of March. Pray that the church will continue to grow in love for Jesus, each other and our community during this time.
- Pray for the person of God's choice to come and lead the Parish of Orangefield.

#### **St Brendan's Sydenham** – 16 February **Curate in-charge:** Claire Pearson

- On 11 October 2025, St Brendan's will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding. Please pray for us as we mark this milestone and use it as an opportunity for outreach in the Sydenham area.
- Please also pray as we embark on a year of discipleship for our congregation through a teaching series on what Anglicans believe, prayer meetings and bible studies.
- Pray for people in the local community who are finding things difficult especially economically and that God would use St Brendan's to help meet needs in the local area.
- Pray for our minister, Revd Claire Pearson, on maternity leave with her third child.

# **St Clement's Templemore Avenue** – 23 February **Ordained Local Minister:** Colin Birnie

- Please pray with us for the faithful group of people who attend our regular Parish Prayer meetings and Bible Studies. Pray that more people would attend in 2025 and that individually and collectively we would grow in faith and love.
- Please pray for our Sunday School, that it would continue to grow and that the children would keep growing in their love and understanding of Jesus.
- Pray for our two ladies' groups who meet regularly, that as they gather, the Holy Spirit would meet with them in a new way and that they would experience the love Jesus has for them.
- Please pray with us for our Parish, as we "Speak Jesus" to all who live in the place where God has called us to serve. Pray that we would carry His presence and love as we reach out with the wonderful Good News of the Gospel.
- Pray that all our activities this year will have Jesus at the centre, and that we would never forget that it's all about Him, all because of Him and all for Him.

### Thank you for praying