

# Church Dates for your Diary for 2026

31st May 2026 - 11.00 am Sunday Service led by Phil Small from Christians in Sport

7th June 2026 - 11.00 am Sunday Service led by Rev William Sinclair

Sam and the Choir will be in Kells Co Meath

14th June 2026 - 11.00 am Sunday Service led by Rev Norman McDowell

21st June 2026 - 11.00 am Sunday Service led by Rev Rob Craig

28th June 2026 - 11.00 am Sunday Service led by Rev Rob Craig

**SAFEGUARDING DESIGNATED PERSON** - The Kirk Session has appointed the following Designated Person: Mr. Aaron Foster, Mrs. Alison Ramsey (Deputy Designated Person) & Jennifer McLernon (Adult Safeguarding Champion).

The Designated Person will give advice and support to Organisations and the Kirk Session on matters concerning the welfare of children and young people. The Kirk Session will keep Organisations' leaders updated with the name of the Designated Person. Any matter brought to the attention of the Designated Person will be treated in strict confidence. Information will be divulged only where there is a legitimate need to know.

## West Church Giving QR Code:



# West Church

Celebrating and Serving Jesus Together



**31st May 2026**

**11.00 am Sunday Morning Service**

**Led by Phil Small - from Christians in Sport**

AM Services Streamed Live on U tube

This morning's flowers are Sponsored by Fiona McConnell and arranged by Janet Wilson of the Floral Team.

There will be Tea/Coffee in the Social Area after the Service

**Weekly Church Bulletin is available in foyer to collect and to view online @ [www.westchurchballymena.org/news](http://www.westchurchballymena.org/news)**

**Submissions no later than 12 noon on a Wednesday to guarantee inclusion in any Medium**

**Parents/guardians are reminded to pick up their children promptly from the various groups at the end of the service, when supervision becomes the responsibility of par-**

Minister Convenor Rev William Sinclair 07710809370	Deaconess Mrs. Sylvia Bryce 07719380352	Youth Associate Mrs. Laura Kelly 07803289722	Co-ordinator of Youth Ministry Mr. Zac Owens 07377427397
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Church Office: Tel: 028 2564 8327 info@westchurchballymena.org

**NB. The Church Office hours this week are Tuesday to Friday at 8.30 am until 1.30 pm. Please e-mail, or leave a message on the answering machine.**

**PRAYER MINISTRY** - is available today at the right-hand side of the church for anyone wishing or seeking prayer. Where Alison Ramsay and Louise McCabe from the prayer team will be there to pray with you.

**HAMPER MINISTRY** - Thank you for responding with your generous donations. If you have any questions about how your donation is being used please do not hesitate to contact me, Lori Phillips on 07714446477, I will be happy to chat to you. Please know that the recipients greatly appreciate your kindness through some very difficult times in their lives. Regarding the regular donations we specifically need Tinned Soup, Tinned Tuna Fish and Tinned Sweetcorn. Thank you.

**VACANCY UPDATES.** As we are in the third stage of vacancy now, moving towards calling a minister, things may seem to go quiet but work is now under way to get to a position to approach ministers. This is a sensitive stage and the elders cannot divulge any information concerning names of ministers. So there will be little information to give over the next few weeks but that does not mean that nothing is happening. Please continue to pray that God will lead us to the person who will lead this congregation on.

**MUG N BEAN** - Tuesday 3rd of June is the last one for this season at 10.30 am, in the Social Area. Everyone welcome to come and join us for a chat and tea or coffee and a treat. We will be back again in September for more delights.

**PRAYER HALF HOUR** - Every Wednesday evening at 7 pm in the Prayer Room. Everyone is very welcome to come and pray for the concerns on their hearts.

**PILATES CLASSES** Pilates Classes as usual this week every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. See Heather Kerr to book your place & or the Events Calendar on the website for times.

**BUDDIES & BUNDLES** - Have finished for the Summer Break, but will reopen on Wednesday 16th September at 9.45 am.

**BIBS N BOBS** - Please contact Kathy Burnett on 07719818394 during the summer months for more information or help.

**MEN UNITED** - Men United every Wednesday at 10.30 am, in the Lounge upstairs until the end of June. All men are welcome to join us for a chat and some refreshments too.

**COFFEE AND CRAFT** - will be back in full swing on 17th September. The group meet every Thursday at the time of 10.00 am in the Upstairs Lounge. See you in September.

**BASIC SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN TRAINING COURSE** - Thursday 11th June 2026 at 7.00pm in the Main Hall. Mandatory attendance for ALL leaders, helpers & volunteers with children & young people who have not received training in the past three years.

**WILD WEST NEEDS YOU!** This Summer our Wild West Team needs a few extra hands! We're looking for new volunteers—Leaders and helpers to support the team over the Summer months, help cover holidays and give our faithful volunteers a well deserved short break. If you feel God may be calling you to serve in this way, we would love to hear from you. No experience required just a willing heart. Please speak to Lorraine McKane, or any of the Wild West Leaders.

**FLORAL TEAM** - has requested that anyone who has received flowers over the last months please return the empty containers to Janet Wilson soonest but not the Oasis. Thank you.

**NO JYC OR SYC ON THE 6TH JUNE** - instead we are having a **Colour Run for everyone on Saturday 20th June.** Young or old, bring your friends and family. All members of West Church are invited-you don't have to be an athlete just enjoy the fellowship. Signup via the QR Code on Facebook or sign up sheet in the vestibule/bulletin.

**SUNDAE SUNDAY - 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026 AFTER THE MORNING SERVICE.** Sign up on the welcome desk. The hardest part is deciding your toppings - will it be sprinkles, marshmallows or a gold ole flake.

**THE BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY** - a place to talk. Grief is hard and Death can impact all life. A series of seven film and discussion sessions for anyone bereaved anytime. Continuing Thursday 4th June, 18th June, until 25th June, in West Church at 7.30 pm in meeting rooms 1 & 2. See Anna Morison for more details.

**UPCOMING CHARITY TRIP TO KENYA:** Romaine Killough is travelling to Kenya with school, to help people there living in poor conditions. Working with Gillaj Star, a Community Based Organisation there, she will help build a home for a widow and her five children, maintain farmland, assist with fishing, support fundraising efforts for vulnerable street children and supply much needed resources such as mattresses. Please consider supporting this project. Romaine will have fireside quiz sheets available for sale today and any donations are most welcome if you wish to support this cause.

**PRAYER AND PRAISE IN WEST CHURCH BALLYMENA** - Wednesday 10th June - 7pm Prayer Room & 7.30 pm - 9pm Church Sanctuary. A time to focus our prayers on God's faithfulness towards us. Pray for West Church family as we look to God for guidance in this time of vacancy. Come join us, drop in for a few minutes to take time together in God's presence.

**KITCHEN NOTICE - For Anyone using the Kitchen** Please ensure **both Bins** are Emptied after each use. Thank You.

**PRIVACY POLICY** - Personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and will only be shared with other members of the church in order to carry out a service to other church members or for purposes connected with the church. This information will not be shared with third parties outside of the church without your consent.