

Methodist Centenary Church

Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6

Superintendent Minister: Rev Andrew Kingston, Tel. 01-668 0833; 083-152 0171



Announcements on 4th February 2026

Our Mission Statement

Our Mission is to receive God's love and to share it with others through our Welcome, our Worship, our Community and our Service.

Sunday 8th February

Service of worship with Mrs Gillie Hinds

Active Prayer, 7-8pm, Friday 6th Feb.

This form of active prayer where we move around, and pray in unison may not be familiar to some, but it is powerful, and when we participate wholeheartedly we wonder where the hour went. All Welcome.

Monthly Morning Holy Communion

There is a monthly morning Holy Communion Service on the second Wednesday of each month from 10.00–10.30am in Room 1 followed by the Friendly Room.

Friendly Room

The Friendly Room meets on Wednesdays in Room 1, Wesley House. If you are free, do drop in for a cuppa and a chat between 10.30 and 12 noon. All are welcome—it's a great spot to catch up, enjoy good company, and share a bit of banter.

Thought for the week

*'Do all the good you can,
by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can,
in all the places you can,
at all the times you can
to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.'*



JOHN WESLEY

- 1747 -

#WesleyWednesday



Pilgrimage

I was approached by Gillian Kingston, a Trustee of Epworth Old Rectory in Lincolnshire, England asking if I might consider leading a Wesley Pilgrimage. I then approached Dr Stephen Skuce, Methodist historian and the Growing Churches Officer of the Methodist Church in Ireland asking if he would be our guide. As a former lecturer in Cliff Methodist Bible College, near Sheffield he knows all the important Wesley sites, and he agreed. The Church Councils and Circuit Executive gave their backing, but requested that we go by land and sea rather than flying, thus reducing the carbon footprint. We then made an application to the Jubilee Fund for a small grant that will facilitate concessions to those on low incomes/students etc. This came through last week, albeit not quite at the same level that I had hoped for. Everything has come together for what I pray will be a blessed Pilgrimage. All we need now is pilgrims! I am hoping that there will be a healthy mix of ages and backgrounds. Attached are the itinerary, and an application form. I would ask that you give it prayerful consideration – but don't wait too long!

On the subject of pilgrimage, I was recently given a book published by the Anglican Diocese of Dublin and Glendalough, *Growing in the image and likeness of God*. It identifies pilgrimage as one aid to personal spiritual development and a tool for the intentional discipleship of those under our care. Pilgrimage has strong roots in scripture. Jesus went on regular pilgrimages. It also has a contemporary resonance for those jaded by the social media happy face; bringing people on two journeys: one physical, the journey to sacred places, and one spiritual, a journey inwards, to meet God. Pilgrimage builds friendships and travelling together brings us closer. I am hoping that there will be a healthy mix of ages and backgrounds on this trip. The Church is enhanced through mutual encouragement, intentional worship, and communal sharing, as well as fun and laughter.

– Andrew Kingston

Prayer

Dear Lord, as you went up both spiritually and physically to Mount Zion with friends, families, neighbours and disciples, grant that our spirits we may be elevated as we pray, worship and learn from our Wesleyan roots together, Amen

G.I.G.G.L.E.S

17 Saturday 14th February, 9.30am - 1.15pm, Thomas Street Methodist Church, Portadown

AN ALL IRELAND EVENT



G.I.G.G.L.E.S

Girls In God, Growing,
Learning, Eating &
Sharing

SATURDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2026

JOY IN THE *Conference Programme* JOURNEY

A morning filled with laughter, creativity,
and encouragement, growing together in
faith and friendship.

THOMAS STREET METHODIST CHURCH, PORTADOWN
9.30AM TO 1.15PM

CREATIVE HEARTS. JOYFUL SOULS. ONE AMAZING JOURNEY.



METHODIST MODERN ART COLLECTION

EXHIBITION IN WESLEY COLLEGE
FEBRUARY 25TH, 2026
5-8 P.M.

THIS EXHIBITION IS OF TEN PRINTS OF THE ORIGINALS HELD BY THE MMAC.
ANY QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT RUTH.MATHEWS@IRISHMETHODIST.ORG

PIANO CONCERT

 Friday 20th February, 7pm, Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6

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7pm Friday 20th Feb 2026



Órán
Halligan



Soo-Jung
Ann



Sin-seock
Kim

Adults €12 / Children €5

“Music is the art which is
most nigh to tears and memory.”

- Oscar Wilde

MEET 2026
THE GAMBIA
 METHODIST - EXPERIENCE - EXCHANGE - TELL

Experience the vibrant life and ministry of the Methodist Church in The Gambia, witnessing first-hand how God's people are growing His church and reaching out to their Muslim neighbours.

- Visit schools, clinics and an agricultural project
- Share in worship, bible study and outreach with local Christians
- Learn and be inspired by God's work in The Gambia
- Build lasting relationships with our world church family
- Provisional dates 24th October – 1st November

Register your interest by speaking to your minister.

IRISH METHODIST
WORLD MISSION
 PARTNERSHIP

Connect ... through English

Every Thursday, 10:30am - 12:00pm

Room 1, Wesley House



Connect? Yes – the purpose of the Thursday morning gathering is to meet and connect with others who come to Ireland from all sorts of places, for all sorts of reasons. We chat, in English, over a cup of tea or coffee, with the facilitators taking it in turn to lead the conversation.

We never know who might come and, over the last ten years, people have come from countries on all the continents, except maybe Australia. It has been a privilege to meet everyone.

We gather on Thursday mornings in Room 1 between 10.30 and 12noon. If you might be interested in joining the facilitation team, please speak to one of us – Charles, Lesley, Liz, Lynne, Maureen, Roy and Sayjin.

If you are a relative newcomer to Ireland please come along – you will be most welcome. We can be contacted at: english@methodistcentenary.ie

Sky's the Limit

Sky's the Limit continues on 3rd March 2026, and 5th May 2026 (no session on the Tuesday after Easter). Please save the dates.

Book Club

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month from 12.30-2.00pm in Room 1, Wesley House. Each month we choose a book from a wide range of genres including biography, crime fiction, historical novels, humour and children's novels. We always have a lively discussion, with very varied opinions. We currently have 14 members and would be delighted to increase our numbers. If you would be interested in joining us, please contact Sylvia on sylviahroddie@gmail.com

God's Storehouse in Tallaght

 Please put donations of non-perishable food in the basket in the Coffee Bar at Wesley House

Forthcoming Services at 10.30am

February 15	Service of worship with Dr Stephen Skuce
February 22	Service of worship with Fintan Lalor (Student Service)
March 1	Service of Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Kingston
March 8	Service of worship with Rev John Parkin

Local preachers

Our local preachers take services regularly on the circuit and sometimes outside it. The current preaching plan includes:

February 1	10.00 Tallaght Mrs Jean Kingston
February 8	11.30 Rathgar Mrs Lesley Rankin
February 15	1-.00 Tallaght Ms Mary Peters
February 22	10.00 Rathgar Mrs Jean Kingston

Giving to the church

Standing Order or Bank Transfer:

Bank: AIB Bank plc, 7/12 Dame Street, Dublin 2

Account Name: Methodist Centenary Church Council No. 3 Account

BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE89AIBK93122526909346

 Questions? Please contact Alan Perry.

Tax Back Tax Relief Scheme

A taxpayer who contributes €250 to the church in a year enables the church to recover €112.82 from the Revenue Commissioners thereby increasing the donation to €362.82, and pro rata for donations of over €250. This scheme brought in over €17,000 last year. To register, you need a CHY3 form from Lynne Pasley. This latter is valid for 5 years and doesn't commit you to make any future donations.

Debit or credit card

A card reader is placed in the Coffee Bar each Sunday through which donations can be made using a debit or credit card.

Cheque

If you can not come to church and you contribute by cheque we ask you to post your cheque to Billy Given. You can contact him at billygiven115@gmail.com

Text for Announcements

Text for inclusion in the Announcements should be sent to news@methodistcentenary.ie. The deadline is 10.00am on Wednesday morning.

Stay Connected

 Email: news@methodistcentenary.ie

 Website: www.methodistcentenary.ie

 Whatsapp: [Centenary Updates](#)

Wesley Pilgrimage 2026

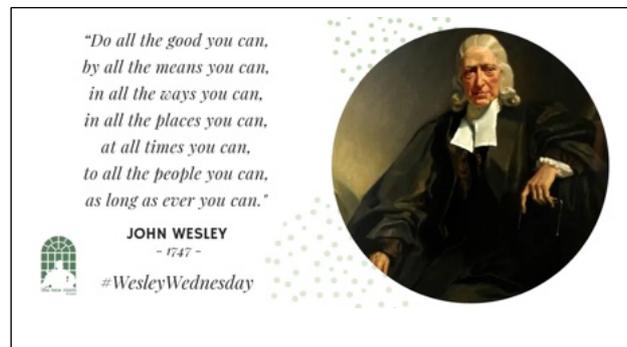
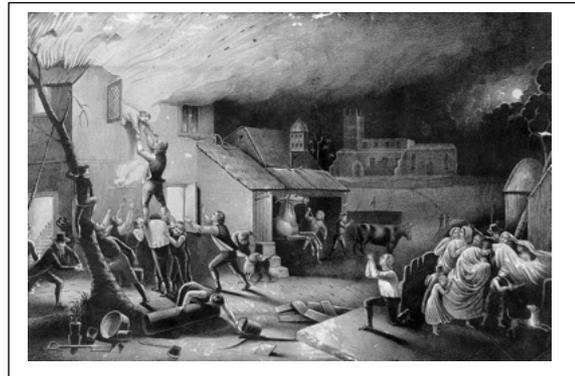
This pilgrimage will involve walking tours of Epworth Old Rectory, Bristol, Oxford, London, and more - exploring the places that shaped John and Charles Wesley and the Methodist movement. Along the way, you'll grow in spiritual formation, connect with the roots of our Wesleyan faith, and share in community. Pricing covers boat, coach hire, bed and breakfast, two evening meals, entrance fees to Wesleyan sites and tour guide Revd. Dr Stephen Skuce, experienced in Methodist theology, history and leading groups in England. In addition we will be accompanied by Gillian Kingston, former Vice President of the World Methodist Council and Trustee of Epworth old rectory. Cost €850. Single supplement €115. You are welcome to invite a friend to join you on this trip. Most rooms are twin rooms and if willing, we can find someone to share a room with you. Please arrange your own travel insurance. To secure your place, a deposit of €100 should be with Alan Perry, Treasurer of Methodist Centenary, Leeson Park, Dublin a.s.a.p. with the balance paid by the 15th May.

Day 1 (Tuesday 30th June)

Stena Line (10.15am sailing) from Dublin to Holyhead and then on to Cliff Methodist Bible College (our base for the first two nights).

Day 2 (Wednesday 1st July) Epworth Old Rectory

See where Samuel and Susanna Wesley raised their children and St Andrew's Church where Samuel is buried, and where John and Charles were baptised. Lincoln cathedral/castle.



Day 3 (Thursday 2nd) Bristol and Bath

New Room, Bristol, the oldest Methodist building in Britain, Charles Wesley's home, hear the story of John Wesley v Beau Nash, Reside in Bath.

Day 4 (Friday 3rd) Oxford

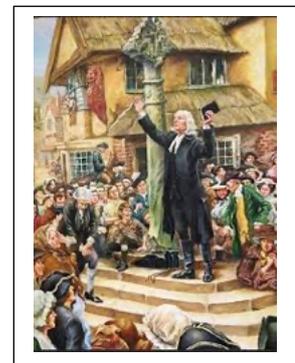
Walking tour of Oxford including Christ Church College at Oxford University and learn about the educational background of John, Charles, and Samuel Jr., Lincoln College, St. Mary's Church and Wesley Memorial Church. Reside at Windsor.

Day 5 (Saturday 4th) Wesley's London

City Road Chapel, including visiting John Wesley's home and grave, and Museum of Methodism. Walk on Aldersgate Street where Wesley had his heart warming experience. View St. Paul's Cathedral. Reside in Lichfield

Day 6 (Sunday 5th) Travel to Holyhead

Worship at Swan Bank Methodist Church, Stoke (largest Methodist Church in England). Visit Mow Cop, birthplace of Primitive Methodism and Englesea Brook Museum of Primitive Methodism. 8.30pm sailing from Holyhead to Dublin



WESLEY PILGRIMAGE BOOKING FORM
Dates: Tuesday 30th June – Sunday 5th July 2026

Surname (person booking): _____

Forenames (in full, as shown on valid passport) _____

Address: _____

_____ Eircode/Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Nationality on passport: _____ Passport number: _____

Date of birth: _____

Special dietary or health requirements: _____

Travel Insurance Company Policy Number (Travel insurance is required): _____

Room Type Requested (single supplement/twin/double): _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

DEPOSIT: €100 per person

FULL COST: €850 (single supplement + €115)

Name METHODIST CH 3

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Address : Leeson Park

Ranelagh

Dublin 6

D06 E542

Important: Please put your name in the Payee section

Please insert in payee message " Wesley Pilgrimage 26"

IF PAYING BY CHEQUE PLEASE CROSS AND MAKE PAYABLE TO: METHODIST CENTENARY, LEESON PARK

Church Treasurer: Alan Perry 087 688 6200

FURTHER ENQUIRIES

Tour leaders: Rev Andrew Kingston 083 152 0171, Ms Gillian Kingston 087 235 0287

Tour guide: Rev Dr Stephen Skuce 0044 7803 828 589