

The Lych Gate

The Newsletter of St Machar's Ranfurly Church



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FROM THE MINISTER

Towards New Life: through Lent to Easter

A Dutch friend sent me a picture of the sunlight setting on the other side of their church ... a sign of the days lengthening. We can tell it too by still being able to walk the dogs in the light after 5 o'clock.

I looked up the etymology of the word Lent and found (thanks to Wikipedia) that actually the English word Lent comes from the old English word lencten, which relates to the Dutch word Lente. Lente is our word for spring. Who knew the two were related; even though it looks obvious to me now, I didn't know this was the case.

Both words likely relate to the lengthening of days.

(In case you are wondering; the period of Lent is called vastentijd or fasting time in Dutch). I find etymology of words fascinating

and am always on the look out for connections between words and languages. This is in part inspired by laziness; for although I have learned many languages over the years, I tend to remember more easily the words that are somehow related to another I already know in a different language!

Pondering this tendency to look for commonalities and connections, I think I do this too when it comes to meeting people. It makes it easy to build a rapport with someone new and, rather than focusing on the differences which give a sense of alienation, instead I experience connection and belonging. In my case it comes quite naturally, but I think it can be a conscious choice too. Sometimes – particularly when we are in conflict or competition with others – we highlight our differences, and they can't always be swept under the carpet. But often there is more

that unites us then that divides us. You just have to go looking for the connections and the common experiences. It's a choice.

As we journey through Lent towards Easter – the way of discipleship and self-denial, following Jesus – I wonder if we can choose to look out for connection and commonality with other Christians, rather than difference and division, especially if we consider our local situation. We don't need to sweep difference under the carpet, but at the end of the day we are all called to follow after Jesus, and he binds and unites us together in himself. It is only through and in him that we die to our old self and rise to new life.

Yours
Hanneke

CONGRATULATIONS - 90 YEARS YOUNG



Stanley Chalmers celebrated his 90th birthday on January 8th. He had a lovely family lunch at the Coach House in Bridge of Weir where all his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were present.



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12 -18 MAY 2024



Over the years Bridge of Weir, through its churches and its wider community, has been tremendously supportive of Christian Aid Week. Last year we (you!) raised over £7,000, and over the past 10 years more than £70,000 has been raised.

We need to keep this going.

More information can be found on the Christian Aid web site about its activities fighting poverty and the causes of poverty.

Our range of fund-raising activities has yet to be finalised but is expected to include the traditional “red envelope house-to-house collection” (which remains our most successful form of fund-raising) and a dedicated Bridge of Weir “e-envelope” for online donating, hopefully supported by some social and fund-raising events.

But none of this can happen without volunteers. Please contact Jennie Durward or myself if you think you can help.

Thank you.
Dave Macdonald

This year Christian Aid Week will take place from 12th to 18th May.

Please put the dates in your diary now.

This notification is earlier than usual because the next issue of the LychGate will not be until June.

Christian Aid Week has been described as

“the biggest collective act of Christian witness to take place in the UK each year”.

But Christian Aid Week in Bridge of Weir simply won't happen without **YOU** – your involvement and support is vital. Be part of that collective act of Christian witness.

QUIZ - NAME THE GLASGOW DISTRICT

		Answer
1	Confuse kind Elvis with an “e”	
2	Brush Benny, Graham or Damon	
3	Heavy weight at the end of the crossing	
4	Dark coloured slope	
5	Baby holds Scottish water	
6	This season stream	
7	Tell the small commercial meter to move	
8	Wrap the pipe, including pole, along it length	
9	Ladies cover and, and, and	
10	The place where armies fought	

December Quiz Answers:

- | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------|--------|----------|----------|
| 1. Tummel | 2. Shin | 3. Awe | 4. Nevis | 5. Leven |
| 6. Tay | 7. Torridon | 8. Ard | 9. Sheil | 10. Holy |

Helen Bullen

BOYS BRIGADE



We have a busy programme. On top of the regular Friday nights we still have, at time of writing, one of the last four badminton teams in Scotland [the four on the left in the photo] and both age groups for the 5 a-side football are still in the competition. One of our quiz teams did very well making it to the Scottish final but missed out this year on qualifying for the UK final.



The boys all like active games and we introduce new ones from time to time. Gagaball, vaulting, Swedish longball, tug of war and four square are among their favourites

We all enjoyed a visit to Malcolm Heritage where we learned something of their remarkable history as a family-owned company for the past 100 years and were able to climb up into lorry cabins of various ages. Recently we had the annual round of NCO appointments including 4 of our 5th year boys becoming Sergeants. We hope to involve these older boys more in taking responsibility for some activities and providing some of their own ideas, to give them experience in leadership. Perhaps one of these boys will be Captain one day!

Your prayerful support is much appreciated. If someone would like to become a leader I would be delighted to discuss this with them. Or, if there is a topic you think would be of interest to the boys or girls then you could come as a guest speaker for a night.



Thanks
Brian Logie



PAMELA WILSON

We were all saddened to hear of the death of Pamela in early January. She had been a faithful servant of St Machar's Ranfurly Church over many years.

She will be remembered by many in the Village for her work with the "Cargill Hall Playgroup".

Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill and family.



PRESBYTERY MISSION PLAN: TOWARDS A UNION

You may be wondering what is happening between our two local churches at the moment. The Clyde Presbytery Mission Plan was approved in June 2023 and for our village it recommends that there be a union of Freeland Church and St Machar's Church with 1 FTE minister. My charge will be reviewed in 2025 and the expectation is that Rev Kenneth Gray would become the minister of the new united church until he retires. The indicative date that the facilitators are working towards is September 2025 for the union, however this could change depending on when our minister leaves for another charge. The St Machar's building is set to be released in the 4th quarter of 2026 – this is because the General Trustees will have lots of sales of church buildings to manage in the coming years.

Following a number of constructive joint meetings in May and June 2023 the kirk sessions had agreed to a number of joint working groups (buildings; new name/communication; families/young people; mission and outreach; fellowship/social). They didn't all really get underway yet, except for buildings and new name/communication. However, in December 2023 our kirk session decided to pause the joint groups, in particular due to differences in understanding of process and timescales between the churches. We wish to continue, but with express guidance and input from the presbytery facilitators. Since then both ministers have met with the presbytery facilitators for our area (Very Rev Lorna Hood and Rev Eleanor McMahon) and both kirk sessions will have met separately with them in the last week of February to map out a way forward. As far as our kirk session is concerned, we are keen to ensure

that the union will constitute a new church for the village, which is made up of both former congregations with equal input. As our building is set to close this inevitably gives a greater sense of loss and fear for being absorbed into the other, however Freeland congregation are much aware that this will be a new start for them also. We want to develop plans jointly for what may be changed to the Freeland building so that it will feel like a 'new home' for the new church.

In terms of procedure the guidance from the Presbytery Plan Implementation Group sets out the following steps:

Speak with your facilitator(s) about the requirements of the PMP, and to discuss a way forward.

Individual Kirk Sessions meet to decide their own approach and how to keep their congregation informed. Representatives should be chosen to take forward discussions with other Kirk Sessions. These do not necessarily all have to be Elders or Office Bearers.

Representatives of the relevant Kirk Sessions meet together over time to agree a Draft Basis of Adjustment, based on the templates. The Committee can provide external facilitation if needed.

Once a final Draft has been agreed with the cluster facilitators, a copy of the Basis of Adjustment is sent on to the central offices (121) by Presbytery for approval/amendment.

Taking into account any amendments from the central offices, the final Basis of Adjustment is agreed by the Kirk Sessions. Please note that the Elders are not voting

for or against the union at this stage, merely agreeing to take forward the adjustment as per the agreed Basis.

Set date and hold Congregational votes. There may need to be 2 separate votes if a sitting Minister is already in place. In this case, the Basis of Adjustment should be voted on first without reference to the Minister, followed by a subsequent vote on the sitting Minister.

Presbytery votes on the adjustment (if agreed). If the vote is against the adjustment, then further negotiations will need to take place at a local level with support from the Committee, bearing in mind the agreed PMP.

As you can see it is quite a thorough process, with obviously the most delicate work going on in conversations between the delegations from each church in the preparation of the basis of union. At the moment, we're at step 1 and hopefully we'll soon have some sort of road map for the next steps. When a basis of union is agreed, our congregation will get to vote on the basis of union, and, separately, on having Rev Gray as the minister of the united congregation. In one sense there is no rush seeing as our minister's post will not be reviewed until 2025, however it will be good to have greater clarity about next steps and the direction of travel.

Adjustments (mainly unions between churches) are being made right across the presbytery and helping churches move on. When done well, they can give renewed energy and focus and it is our prayer that this may (eventually!) be the case in our village too.

Hanneke

2ND BRIDGE OF WEIR GUIDES (TUESDAY GUIDES) & STRATHGRYFFE RANGERS

We have a few Guides who have turned 14 and those who were about to reach their 14th birthday but still wanted to be involved. They enjoyed Guiding activities but at 14 they would no longer be Guides so Shona Millar and Moira Johnston have decided to start up the Strathgryffe Ranger Group for girls from both Bridge of Weir and Kilmacolm.

Guides still meet each Tuesday evening in the hall from 7:30 to 9pm. The Rangers meet on alternative Tuesday evenings in the Church Hall but they also have a Sunday afternoon activity once a month at a variety of locations. To kick start the New Year everyone started off the term with a task master activity. The Guides had an evening of stuck in the mud organised by our Young Leaders, which was frustratingly fun. We've had a campfire song refresher night with somores and a fire in the church carpark. Each patrol made a board game which we had to all asses by playing the game. Then to celebrate Chinese New Year the Guides made their own fortune cookies. We have 5 Guides going to Girlguiding Greenock for a Thinking Day event on Saturday 17th.

The Rangers at their meeting following their task master evening learnt how to sing our Guiding song 'Taps' in BSL. Now our evenings conclude with the Guides and the Rangers enjoying practicing Taps in BSL.

The Rangers working in the hall have been learning knots and doing small scale pioneering with mixed results. They had to make a frame using string and lengths of willow, then they had to stretch a piece of fabric over their frame and decorated it. Since then, we had our first Sunday afternoon outing. It transpired to be a very competitive outing to Braehead's ten pin bowling. Our next Ranger Sunday in March will be large scale pioneering, when we will find out how good their knotting techniques are. This will be at South Newton along with a session of Tomahawk throwing.

Moira Johnston



THE GUILD



We started the Guild after Christmas with a talk from the Air Ambulance. It was started to fill a gap in getting people help quickly. There are two air helicopters in Scotland but they get no money from the Government and

rely on donations from groups and people they talk to.

Our second speaker was Sarah McNaught who is a fund raiser for the Aberlour Trust, an organisation looking after children. They have centres all over Scotland and again are funded by donations.

We have been invited to the Bridge of Weir Leather Company, which we are

all looking forward to, as not many people have been to the factory.

The Guild will finish for the year on 18th March and we hope everyone has enjoyed the speakers and companionship. A big thank you to the Committee who have made the Guild possible, and we wish everyone a happy, restful summer.

Ann Hart

CHURCHES OF THE WORLD

Funchal Cathedral - Madeira

Built in 1493 and finished and dedicated in 1517. The day when I visited in December there were no services so I was able to wander inside this cathedral.



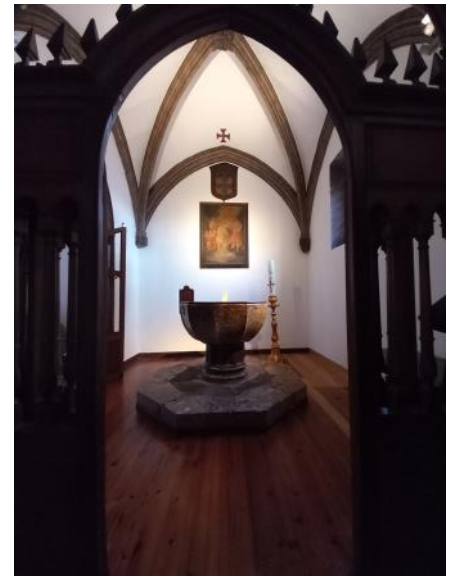
The outside has a very simple facade but once you step inside, its magnificence is astounding. It is in a Gothic style and has a large Latin Cross floor plan. However, one of the most remarkable things inside is the ceiling. It is not often that you are encouraged to pay particular attention to the ceiling in a church, but this one is very

different. It is made of cedar wood from the island with ivory inlay as well as 18th century tiles. It is very rich in artistic value. It is enriched with rosettes and golden pendants. There are 4 Renaissance style friezes printed on a green background and framed with 2 carved ropes.

In one of the chapels there are 3 images of Faith, Charity and Hope. These were carved from the mast of a ship stranded in Funchal. The centre of the



cathedral is the chapel of the High Altar. There are 12 large paintings depicting the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus and in the



carved stalls there are numerous images of the Apostles and Prophets and other figures from the Old Testament. Other details are celebrating life on the island such as cherubs carrying bunches of bananas and wineskins. There is a large tower which holds the bells and the spire is carved with tiles from Seville workshops. You can reach the bells by climbing the 106 steps up a spiral stone staircase (very narrow and not if you are claustrophobic).

Helen Bullen

ATTENTION ALL RETIRED MEN

The "Retired Mens Club" called the "Freelanders" has now been renamed "Freemachars" to reflect the impending union between our Churches.

They meet once per month on the last Tuesday, normally at 11.00 and have a wide variety of visits and talks planned, usually followed by a lunch at Bernie's.

A warm invitation has been extended to all retired men and their friends to join in the fun.

Some of the planned activities are:

- * The Iolaire Disaster - talk
- * Scottish Air Ambulance - talk
- * Stirling Castle - visit
- * Museum of Rural Life - visit
- * New Lanark village - visit
- * Giffnock Newton Mearns Synagogue - visit
- * Dumfries House (Cumnock) - visit
- * Riverside Transport Museum - visit
- * Ibrox Stadium - visit
- * Christmas Lunch - Bernie's Deli

FROM THE ORGAN LOFT



On this sunny February morning June seems a very long time away! Lent begins tomorrow, then there's Easter, with Christian Aid Week, Pentecost and more still to come. Over the past few years we've held an annual Gala Concert every June celebrating both Music Sunday and the Bridge of Weir Gala Week. This year will be no different, however, what we are doing *will* be different. We are blessed at St. Machar's to have two choirs – adult and junior. I

have been looking at ways to integrate the two into life at St. Machar's and the Bridge of Weir Gala Concert each June is a good way to do this. This year, we are going to be performing Joseph Horowitz's *Captain Noah and His Floating Zoo*, and are extending an invitation to singers of all ages to join us. There will be rehearsals through the spring to facilitate the learning of this piece.

Captain Noah and His Floating Zoo is, as the title suggests, a twenty five minute work telling the story of Noah's Arc tracing the story from God's approach to Noah to the building of the arc, filling of the arc, the forty days in the water before the storm subsides and Noah leads all to safety. The music is light hearted and jazzy but

accessible to both singers and audiences. The witty lyrics were written by Michael Flanders (of the Flanders and Swann) and are not particularly difficult. There's a lot of "rain and rain and rain and rain", or "two by two by two by two by two by two by two by two" etc. Music will be provided and it is hoped to have some rehearsal files prepared too for those who may wish to practice at home! More music and details nearer the time, however, for now please save the date! Sunday 9 June 2024 at 4.00 p.m. If you are interested in singing in this please register your interest by dropping me an email at:

organist.stmachars@gmail.com

Ian Munro

1ST BRIDGE OF WEIR GUIDES (WEDNESDAY GUIDES)

In January we welcomed six new Guides who had moved up from Brownies which brings our numbers up to a very healthy 26 girls.



On our first night back, we started working on our Aspirations Badge. It was a good time think about the

coming year and what everyone would like to do or achieve in the year ahead. We also had a go at making 'thumbprint biscuits'. They all look and tasted great when they came out of the oven. We finished January with the patrols designing and then playing a new board game. We had some great ideas!

We started February by celebrating the Chinese New Year. Everyone enjoyed decorating Chinese lanterns and of course sampling some Chinese food. A small group of girls is looking forward to attending an activity day in Greenock on the 17th February. Some of the activities on offer are giant inflatables, a silent disco, Boogie Bugs, crafts, etc. We will, of course, be celebrating Thinking Day on the Wednesday evening closest to the 22nd February. We think of Guides around the world

and this year we will learn about South Korea, Mexico and Malaysia. Up until the Easter holidays we will be taking part in a competition to design the badge for the County Camp we are attending in May. We will also be looking at ideas to submit to Girlguiding UK who are re-designing the Uniform for all the sections. We will also continue to work on our Skill Builders and finish off the term with some Easter activities.

Christine Haddock Guide Leader



BRIDGE OF WEIR CHURCHES ACTIVITIES

Regular Activities

Mondays	2.00 pm	Guild - Fortnightly - (Sept to March) - St Machar's Ranfurly
	6.30 pm	Girls Association (All Age Groups) - Freeland
	8.00 pm	Gryffe Voices - Freeland
Tuesday	11.00 am	Freemachars Retired Mens Group - (Last Tuesday of Month) - Freeland
		Rainbows - St Machars Ranfurly
	7.30 pm	Girl Guides - St Machar's Ranfurly
Wednesday		Brownies - Freeland
	7.00 pm	Mid-Week Service - Freeland
	7.30 pm	Girl Guides - St Machar's Ranfurly
Thursday	10.00 am	Coffee Drop in - Pirie Freeland
		Ladies on the 11th - Monthly - Freeland
	4.15 pm	Junior Choir - St Machar's Ranfurly
	6.15 pm	Anchor Boys - Freeland
	7.30 pm	Choir - St. Machar's Ranfurly
Friday	12.00 noon	Terrace Lunch - (last Friday of Month) - St. Machar's Ranfurly
	6.30 pm	Boys Brigade Junior Section - St Machar's Ranfurly
	7.30 pm	Boys Brigade Company Section - Freeland

March Activities

Wednesdays	2.00 pm	Take Time Meditation - (during Lent) - via Zoom
Wednesday	20th March	Easter Code for the School Children
Thursday	21st March 5.00 pm	Junior Choir - mini concert - St. Machar's Ranfurly
Friday	22nd March - 12.00	Easter Community Lunch - St. Machar's Ranfurly
Friday	29th March - 12.00	Good Friday - Lunch and services - starting at St. Machar's Ranfurly

April Activities

Saturday	20th April	Quiz Night - St. Machar's Ranfurly
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May Activities

Sunday to Saturday	12th to 18th May	Christian Aid Week - Collections throughout Village
Friday to Thursday	17th to 23rd May	General Assembly of The Church of Scotland

June Activities

Saturday	8th June	Gala Day - Children's games and Face Painting at the Park
Sunday	9th June 4.00 pm	Gala Concert - St. Machar's Ranfurly

HELPERS WANTED

An Easter Card is being designed which will detail the Church Services throughout the Easter period. This is to be delivered to every house in the Village.

Can you assist - Please offer your help. Contact Mary on 01505 612417

A SPRING PRAYER



For the cycle of life
which brings death and rebirth

For a snowdrop's beauty
reflecting its Creator's artistry

For all of creation
and the majesty of its Creator

**We rejoice in the promise of
Spring**

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For lengthening days and
sunlight's warmth upon the soil

For new born lambs
their joy and exuberance

John Birch
Christian Prayers for Spring
faithandworship.com

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WORSHIP

Date		Service	Beadle/Reader
March	03	10.30 am Morning Service	Greg Miller
	10	10.30 am Morning Service	Helen Bullen
	17	10.30 am Morning service	Dick Hughes
	24	10.30 am Morning service	Margaret Richardson
	25	7.30 pm Joint Holy Week Service - Freeland Church	n/a
	26	7.30 pm Joint Holy Week Service - Freeland Church	n/a
	27	7.30 pm Joint Holy Week Service - Freeland Church	n/a
	28	7.30 pm Joint Holy Week Service - Maundy Thursday Service in Hall	n/a
	29	12 noon Good Friday Lunch & Joint Holy Week Service	n/a
	31	10.30 am Easter Sunday Morning Service	Ann Hart
April	07	10.30 am Morning Service	Dick Hughes
	14	10.30 am Morning Service	Helen Bullen
	21	10.30 am Morning Service	Norma Hancock
	28	10.30 am Morning Service - All Age Service — in Church	n/a
May	05	10.30 am Morning Service	Philip McCulloch
	12	10.30 am Morning Service - Christian Aid week starts	Greg Miller
	19	10.30 am Morning Service	Margaret Richardson
	26	10.30 am Morning Service - All Age Service	n/a
June	02	10.30 am Morning Service - Sacrament of Holy Communion	Dennis Taylor

JUNIOR CHOIR

The Junior Choir continues to grow and this session we have roughly twelve youngsters who attend the rehearsals faithfully every week. They come with a lot of energy and enthusiasm. It is nice to continue to support their music making. This term is a little different as we have been preparing for the *Water of Life* which will see the Juniors leading the service on Sunday 25 February. *The Water of Life* is a book which contains hymns, choir pieces, readings, drama(!) and prayers and forms the basis of a service. The Junior Choir was meant to perform this in Perth back in 2022, the death of Her Majesty the Queen meant this was unable to go ahead, and I was unavailable on the rearranged date last year. With Hanneke's encouragement we are going to be doing this as the All Age Service on Sunday 25th February. I do hope you'd be able to attend and

support our Junior Choir. Evelyn Watson is our accompanist for the *Water of Life* service and has attended a couple of the rehearsals. As the children have been doing so well with their singing, I have been able to give them a very brief conducting lesson and showed them how to beat four beats in a bar. Three of the children so far have "conducted" the juniors, another has learnt the tune for a favourite song – *O Sapo* – and has accompanied them in that! I think it is fair to say the musical life of this church will be in safe hands long into the future. After the *Water of Life* our attention will turn to Easter and we'll be preparing some Easter themed pieces for our mini concert on Thursday 21 March which will begin at 5.00 p.m. Additionally, the choir has been invited to sing at the Bridge of Weir Primary School Easter Assembly the

following week and we'll be singing two or three of our pieces at that. I will be launching a competition for the Juniors to design the poster for our Bridge of Weir Gala concert in the coming weeks, as they are quite a creative bunch! Machar, our choir mascot, continues to thrive and leads quite an exciting life going home with one of the children each week. He's attended many birthday parties, gymnastic and swimming events and sometimes even goes to school! For some reason he quite enjoys sleeping! If you know of someone in the P3 – P7 age bracket who'd like to come along on a Thursday then please do encourage them along. They would be made most welcome.

Ian Munro

NOTICES

On **Good Friday**, we meet at 12.00 at St. Machar's Ranfurly for a snack lunch in the Hall before moving to the Church Sanctuary for a short Service, including a drama of the events of over 2000 years ago. We will then walk to Freeland Church for a short service at the Cross followed by refreshments in the Pirie. The front cover of this magazine shows the procession from last year.



Friday 26th April
Friday 31st May

LUNCH
12 NOON


Homemade Soups, Sandwiches,
Tea/Coffee, Biscuits

Entry £5

Come along and enjoy good food
and good company

**St. Machar's Ranfurly
Church Hall**

Funerals



Jesus said
"I am the Resurrection
and the Life"

Pamela Wilson
4th January 2024

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Mark Stevenson
21st January 2024

? QUIZ NIGHT ?

A date for your diaries
Saturday 20th April at 7pm
Following a successful
fun-filled evening last year,
our fundraising group is
organising another quiz.
Further details to follow.

Fund Raising Programme

- Flat near St Andrews available for short breaks. If interested contact Morven.
- Bearsden Fiddlers on Sunday 17th November



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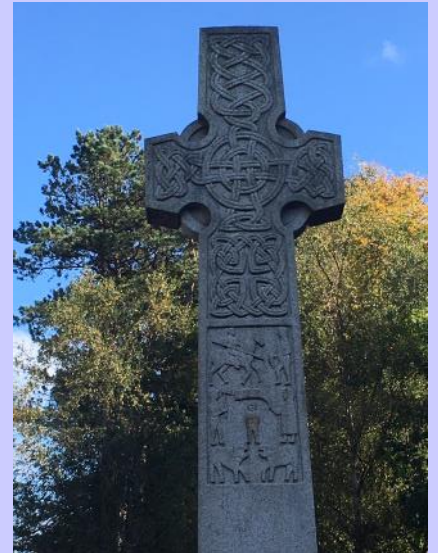


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ROTAS

Date	Welcome	
March 03	Anne Yeaman	Bill Christie
10	Agnes McKechan	Philip McCulloch
17	Bill Robb	Margaret Richardson
24	Morven McLeod	Scott McLaughlin
31	Mary Taylor	Dennis Taylor
April 07	Sarah McNaught	Anne Allen
14	Elizabeth Lyle	Ann Hart
21	Jennie Durward	Alan Durward
28	Norma Hancock	Anne Yeaman
May 05	Bill Christie	Agnes McKechan
12	Philip McCulloch	Scott McLaughlin
19	Bill Robb	Sarah McNaught
26	Margaret Richardson	Morven McLeod
June 02	Anne Allen	Ann Hart
09	Mary Taylor	Dennis Taylor

Happy Easter



Date	Flowers	Flower Delivery
March 10	Margaret Richardson	Margaret Richardson
17	Jennifer McNocher	Anne Yeaman
24	Margaret Connelly	Norma Hancock
31	Easter Sunday	
April 07	Jennie Durward	Jennie Durward
14	Philip McCulloch	Norma Hancock
21	Moira Johnson	Moira Johnson

Date	Flowers	Flower Delivery
April 28	Marion Reid	Marion Reid
May 05	Rosemary Taylor	Rosemary Taylor
12	Morven McLeod	Morven McLeod
19	Jane Shepherd	Jane Shepherd
26	Helen Bullen	Helen Bullen
June 02	Ann Hart	Ann Hart
09	Anne Porrelli	Anne Porrelli

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Contributions for the next issue of *The Lych Gate* should be with the Editor by **Tuesday 14th May 2024**.
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