

The Lych Gate

The Newsletter of St Machar's Ranfurly Church



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MINISTER'S LETTER

By invitation

We like to think of St Machar's Ranfurly church as a welcoming congregation. We have a welcome team who are on the door to greet people, we have coffee and tea after the service to get to know each other and we make more effort to publicise our services through the Advertiser and through Facebook et cetera. However we need to go beyond welcoming to a culture of inviting people to come with us. I quote from the Culture of Invitation website: *Some people in church feel that if people wanted to come to church or get to know Jesus Christ then they would already have done it. But nowadays it takes a brave person to walk into a church building on their own or start a God conversation with a Christian. This is why building a culture of invitation, alongside a culture of welcome and transformation is vital.*

When Jesus called and invited the first two disciples, Andrew was one of the two. The first thing Andrew did was to

invite his brother Simon. That invitation alone has impacted the world today. Jesus is still inviting and calling people today.

A culture of invitation is not new it speaks of the heart of God who sent Jesus to invite the world into an eternal relationship.

As Scots perhaps you consider yourself a bit reticent towards speaking openly about matters of faith, or even church attendance. However if we are not enthusiastic about what we experience on a Sunday, then why would anyone think of coming along and trying or rejoining church? By inviting someone to something you yourself find meaningful and worthwhile, surely you are not imposing anything? You are merely offering to share something good with someone you care about.

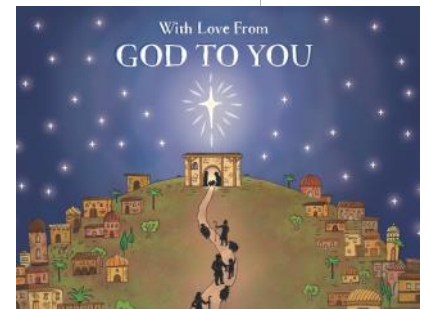
We have been trying our best to make our services more accessible and meaningful for a range of ages, and we've got services coming up that are very suitable to ask someone along to

– even if it is a first time or perhaps a long time ago since they have been to church. Why not invite a family member, friend or neighbour to the **service to remember those who died** on the 8th of December at 4 pm? Or bring someone (little or large!) to the Instant Nativity service on the 23rd of December, or the Watchnight service at 11:30pm on the 24th.

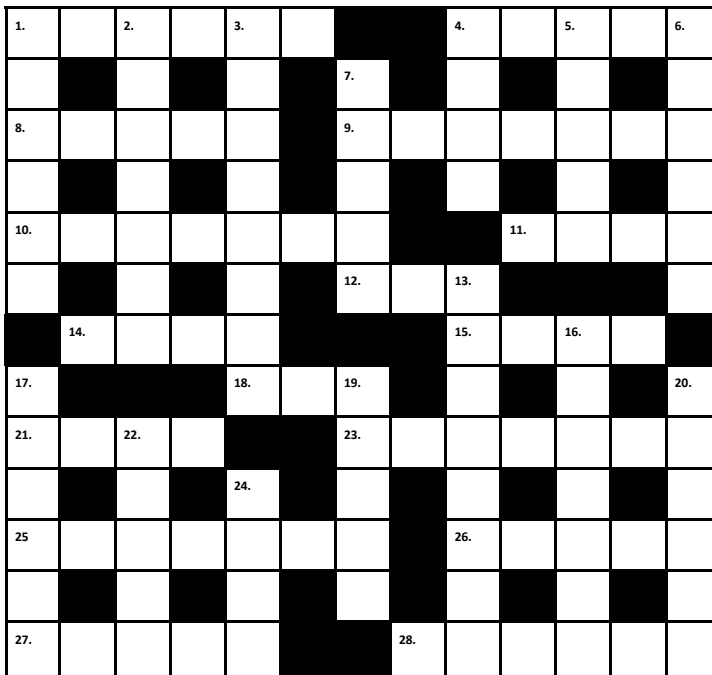
And for a non churchy experience; why not invite someone sceptical to come along with you to the God Question course starting in January in the Bridge?

Let's follow St Andrew's lead and start inviting our friends!

Yours in Christ,
Hanneke



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD



- Across
1. Type of shed for birth of Jesus (6)
 4. Kept by shepherds (5)
 8. Failure to score by a batsman (2,3)
 9. Busy man at Christmas (7)
 10. Cooperation (7)
 11. For putting presents under (4)
 12. A deer (3)
 14. Type of Santa's deer (4)
 15. Mother of Jesus (4)
 18. Day before Christmas (3)
 21. Where wise men came from (4)
 23. Lingered (7)
 25. Cocktail Drink (7)
 26. Sample (5)
 27. What 4 across was kept by (5)
 28. Agreement (6)

- Down
1. There are 5 Advent ones (6)
 2. Caterers are needed for Church Lunch (7)
 3. Often sung about at end of parties (4,4)
 4. These men brought gifts (4)
 5. Cooker device has merit (5)
 6. Messiah composer
 7. What we do in the run-up to Christmas (5)
 13. Senior Elder (8)
 16. Print again (7)
 17. Sailor (6)
 19. Hi tec source of morals (5)
 20. Period before Christmas (6)
 22. Small stem of holly (5)
 24. Given at Christmas (4)

THE GOD QUESTION

Does God really exist? Even some prominent atheists describe it as "the biggest question of all!" The greatest challenge to belief is often thought to come from science. This series investigates whether 21st century science supports or removes the case for a creator. In the programmes, prominent atheists and theists take a scientific journey and debate the case for God.

You are invited to join us for a 6 week course of the God Question series; each night a half hour video will be shown and subsequently discussed. This is open to atheists, theists and agnosts. The three main themes are the Cosmos, Life and Evolution and the Mind and Consciousness. There will be a participants guide to be purchased for £5 and a voluntary contribution towards the use of the Bridge community centre.

If you want to find out more about the series, check out thegodquestion.tv. Dates planned are Wednesday nights, 22nd and 29th Jan, 19th and 26th Feb, 18th and 25th March. From 7:30-9pm in the

Bridge Community Centre, Main Street, Bridge of Weir.
Organised by St Machar's Ranfurly Church but open to all. For more info contact Hanneke.Marshall@churchofscotland.org.uk



CONGRATULATIONS

Mrs Jennifer Durward BEM



On Friday 15th November Jennie was presented with the British Empire Medal for her outstanding service as a volunteer with Accord Hospice. This was presented by the Lord Lieutenant of Renfrewshire, Colonel Peter McCarthy on behalf of Her Majesty The Queen.

Jennie's volunteering began in the mid 1980s delivering meals with WRVS - she also became involved with a support group for Accord in the local community. She then did work in the day hospice, kitchens and driving duties. In 1990 she started coordinating transport requests for patients going to Glasgow hospitals for radiotherapy and chemotherapy. In 1995 Jennie

took on the role of volunteer coordinator.

Accord now has 450 volunteers so this role is very time consuming and requires the highest level of administration and interpersonal skills. She is responsible for the induction and checks of all new volunteers as well as organising the rotas. She regularly represents Accord at local and national meetings of volunteer coordinators.

Jennie has now given more than 31 years to Accord, 25 of these as volunteer coordinator. In 2006 she received the League of Mercy Award for her outstanding contribution to volunteering and in 2017 she was awarded a Provost's Distinction Certificate.

Jennie's husband Allan, her daughter Lorna, son Sandy and granddaughter Mayah were there, also many of the volunteers who all joined in the celebration and partook of a lovely afternoon tea.

St. Machar's Church was well represented for at the same time Ann Hart was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers in acknowledgement of being a volunteer driver with Accord for 25 years – another tremendous achievement.



£2 CHALLENGE

WELL DONE!!! What a talented bunch of people we have in St Machar's Ranfurly! You all rose to the (£2) challenge laid down by the Fund Raising Committee in August. Cakes, knitting, meringues, candles, vegetable growing, truffles, dog walking, housework, shortbread, coffee mornings, penguin talks, bread, jam, tote bags, lasagne, food hamper – just a selection of the

activities used to raise funds. To date we have raised around £1300 – thank you for all your effort. We hope you have enjoyed supporting our challenge, while raising money for St Machar's Ranfurly. We look forward to your continued support in our future fund raising efforts.

THANK YOU!
Fund Raising Committee

GUILD NEWS



Guild Guest Night

On Monday 18th November the Guild held their guest night, to which the following Guilds were invited: Houston, Linwood, St. Mary's, St. Fillans and Freeland friendship group.

Our concert party was the Neilston Strings, which consisted of 12 people, 11 banjos and 1 guitar. They played many well known songs which the company joined in with great gusto. This was followed by a chatty supper enjoyed by everyone.

Ann Hart



BOYS BRIGADE

As BB approaches the end of 2019 we can look back on another enjoyable year with highlights including a long weekend at the PGL outdoor pursuits centre in Perthshire, water sports on Loch Lomond and a boat trip around the sugar boat in the Clyde. We also took an active part in the Remembrance Day service at St Machars and the enrolment service at Freeland. Our current number in the Bridge of Weir Company is about sixty-five boys and we keep having new ones join following recommendations from friends.

Five of the older boys in the company have their BB President's Badge and are working towards their Queen's Badge as the highest award in the Boys Brigade. Two of these young men have their Duke of Edinburgh bronze award and we have another six working towards this. In August and September three boys successfully completed a two-day, one night expedition and two others managed three days and two nights walking and camping mostly on the Isle of Bute. These expeditions are essential requirements for the Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Queen's Badge.

Paisley and District Battalion organises competitions for its twenty-four companies and the Bridge of Weir Company always takes part in some of these. Our Juniors have an impressive record of success having won the overall prize several times in recent years. The Company Section does less well but usually finishes around the top five with a few individual wins along the way. This year we are on a bit of a roll having already won at basketball, badminton and in two age categories at table tennis. We also finished second in the quiz and the boys are starting to believe that we could have a very good year.

We often have BB boys who do well outside Boys Brigade including top marathon runner Callum Hawkins who was in the Bridge of Weir Company. Currently Calum Robertson plays for Hamilton Athletic at under seventeen level and Caleb Murray is appearing regularly in Scottish Opera productions.

Paul Birch – Captain.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Loving Father

Help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake

Amen

Robert Louis Stevenson

TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

The carol, The Twelve Days of Christmas, is much loved because of the lyrics which inspire card designers, but remains intriguingly nonsensical.

Question: What are the 12 days of Christmas?

Answer: They run from Christmas Eve to the eve of the Epiphany December 24 to January 5.

Question: What do they have to do with a motly collection of poultry and entertainers?

Answer: It is said to have been written as a catechism song or aide memoire for Catholic children when the practice of Catholicism was forbidden in England during the Reformation. The bizarre gifts were symbols for aspects of Christianity.

Question: Such as?

Answer: A partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ, due to a hen partridge's habit of feigning injury and luring predators away from the nest to save her chicks, as Christ sacrificed himself on the cross.

Question: What about two turtle doves, three French hens and four calling birds?

Answer: The Old and New Testaments, faith, hope and charity and the 4 Gospels.

Question How do you account for the five golden rings?

Answer: They are the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Old Testament, which recounts man's fall from grace.

Question: Are we all at sixes and sevens over geese and swans?

Answer: We understand them to be the six days of creation and the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Question: What's holy about the eight milkmaids and nine dancing ladies?

Answer: They are the eight Beatitudes and nine choirs of Angels.

Question: Ten lords a-leaping?

Answer: Even sceptics must have leaped to the answer of the Ten Commandments.

Question: Are the pipers and drummers a celestial Scots regiment?

Answer: Eleven pipers are the 11 faithful apostles and the 12 drummers are the points of belief in the apostles' creed.

By courtesy of George Haig

DECEMBER QUIZ (DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIRDS?)

		Answer
1	Half a car ferry sent to scrap receptacle	
2	About a disagreement	
3	Have your porridge in it but drop the first	
4	Gulp!	
5	Sir Robert Scott's middle name	
6	Sounds like the pussy's got an alarm	
7	Disaster if it leaves the Tower	
8	Grumble its bottled!	
9	Tease part of a foot	
10	You're in trouble if it's cooked	
11	Golfer's delight but a sailor's downfall	
12	The wee small hours spent in a high wind	

October Quiz Answers: 1. Orchid 2.Amaryllis 3.Peony 4.Broom 5.Violet 6.Marigold 7.Columbine 8.Forget me not 9.Larkspur 10.Snowdrop 11.Buttercup 12.Daffodil

BACK TO SCHOOL

On Thursday 21st November the Church took a stall at the Bridge of Weir Primary School Christmas Fayre. We sold Christian Books and gave away picture books with the Christmas Story and invitations to our Nativity Play on Sunday 22nd December. Craft bags made up by the Junior Church Leaders were also distributed.

We had great fun inviting people to join us in church over Christmas.



THE ARTEFACTS OF ST. MACHAR'S RANFURLY CHURCH

Introduction

This article has been taken from a brochure which describes the several beautiful furnishings in the church. The article has been copied from a brochure entitled "The Artefacts of Saint Machar's Ranfurly Church". The original brochure was compiled by Maurice L Gaine in 1998 with the colour wash sketches by Murial McKenzie D.A. of Glen Etive, Kilmacolm which are reproduced here.

Each generation has added something to its beauty - the chancel in 1910, the exquisite stained glass windows, the lectern, font, and pulpit. Most items were donated by a named benefactor, yet some were anonymous, such as the churchyard paving, thus assuring our safe footholds. Perchance our children will enhance this rich heritage.

The Pulpit



The pulpit of carved oak was designed by Mr James Millar, and built by John A Grieve, a local resident. It was dedicated in 1901. The Holy Bible which is carried in at the commencement of a service is, at present, a contemporary edition, although several earlier authorised versions are in the possession of the Church. The pulpit fall, of royal blue colour, with a Celtic cross motif was a gift of the women's Guild at their centenary. The pulpit fall also

matches that of the eagle lectern fall and the associated Holy Bible page marker. On certain occasions of ceremony Holy Communions and Weddings - a white fall is displayed. According to church tradition, their falls may vary in colour, such as green - the colour of the Creation - gold for a festival, or maybe mauve for a funeral.

Baptism Font



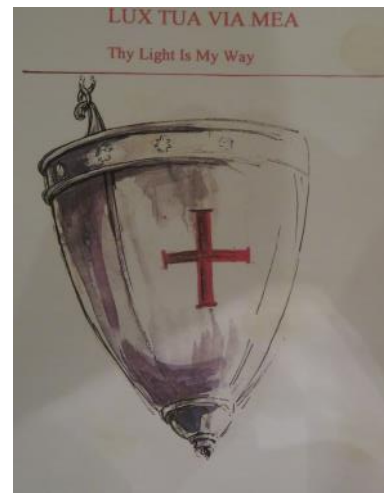
The original baptism font was dedicated in 1901 in the form of a wooden stand and silver bowl. Suitably inscribed it was a gift in memory of TD Smellie of Rockclif. The present font was presented to the church to celebrate the Coronation of June 1953. It was beautifully made by disabled ex-service men in Dundee. A silver rosebowl with the font was also presented. Further details of this ornament are inscribed on the font.

Chancel Light

The chancel lantern is a larger replica of a helm as worn by the Crusaders of the 11th and 12th century. It is understood to be designed and presented by an architect associated with the church, who was an ardent student of the crusaders. The helm has been modified to show a cross of Malta in red by means of an inner light. This reflects

the close association of the crusaders in the Holy Land with the Christian Orders of Malta.

Note: The crusaders wore a red cross on their shoulders to distinguish them from the Saracens, hence from the Latin word Crux, the crusaders were so named.



Eagle Lectern

The lectern is of brass with the eagle wings outspread. When the chancel was dedicated in July 1910, this handsome brass eagle was presented by Mrs McNab of Howwood. The Holy Bible on the lectern, at present, is a new English version.

Similar to the pulpit fall, the lectern has a fall and page marker of matching colour, again a gift from the Women's Guild.



THE ARTEFACTS OF ST. MACHAR'S RANFURLY CHURCH (CONT)

Communion Table

The sketch below is of the present Communion Table, which was transferred to St. Machar's Church from the United Presbyterian Church at Ranfurly. The associated chairs were also a gift with the table.

The original Communion Table in St. Machar's was dedicated about

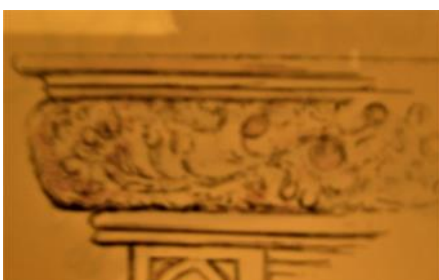


1901, being a gift of the Women's Guild. It was of oak, panelled with symbolic wheat and vine decoration.

This table was presented to the Regiment of Gordon Highlanders for their depot's kirk, also named Saint Machar's, at Chester. A small plaque, below the chancel window, records the transfer.



The sketch below shows the upper beading of the present table.



Belfry

The belfry peal of three bells is situated above the church entrance. Unfortunately no longer working but they had a pitch of (approx.) F, D & C being operated by a series of levers in the entrance Cupboard.

Unlike the traditional English system, where bells are on an axle and tolled by a long suspended rope, so causing a clapper to strike the inside of the bell, the St. Machar's bells are fixed to the belfry frame. A spring loaded striker, actuated by levers hits the bells, in the call to worship.

War Memorials

Two War Memorials are displayed in the church. The larger memorial, a wood carving of excellent workmanship, records those of St. Machar's parish who died in the two World Wars. The heraldic carvings and crest are exquisite, the knights helmet of steel with visor open, has the correct tincture, while the associated mantling and plumes are colourful.

Note: Mantling of silk or plumes is designed to keep the armour cool in the sun or the heat of battle.

The smaller memorial of bronze, records the fallen of the Ranfurly parish. Fifteen casualties in World War 1 and four in World War 2 illustrates the relative severity of the battles.

Lych Gate

A Lych Gate of teak at the churchyard entrance was dedicated in 1936: given in grateful appreciation of Rev. AM Shand's ministry from 1899 to 1939. A bronze plaque on the Lych Gate records details of the gift.



List of Ministers

The plaque currently in the foyer lists the ministers in St. Machar's Church, Ranfurly Church and the joint St. Machar's Ranfurly Church..

The addition of our current minister is outstanding. If anyone has the skills to be able to do this, please contact the Session Clerk.

The Ranfurly Cross



A wooden cross has been transferred from Ranfurly Church and is displayed on the south wall adjacent to the cathedral window.

It is inscribed:

1890 - 1932
Rev. Adam Wilson B.D.
For 42 years the first minister
of Ranfurly Church.

*His servants shall serve
Him and they shall see
His face (Rev.22-3)*

ELECTIONS: WHAT KIND OF LEADER ARE WE HOPING FOR?

*For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Of the greatness of his government and peace
there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the LORD Almighty
will accomplish this.*

Isaiah chapter 9 verses 6-7

A 2700 year old prophesy from some tiny kingdom on the fringes of the Middle East would seem the most irrelevant piece of information that you could relate to a British election in 2019. And yet. These verses from the book of Isaiah that usually crop up during Christmas services, still resonate strongly. Who does not long for a leader who is truly just, wise, peace bringing and able to accomplish what they set out to do? A leader under whose reign the people flourish and enjoy peace. The word for peace is 'Sjalom' in Hebrew, but it is a concept that means more than just 'no war'. It is well-being for all; everyone safe and sound, having enough to live well, in a place they can call their own.

In the time of the prophet Isaiah the kings of Judah and Israel were meant to be such leaders for their people. They were to uphold justice and 'righteousness' – we might say fairness – in the land. Make sure that the most vulnerable in their society, the foreigners, and the poor were not exploited by the

rich and strong. The kings also acted as judges and had to be fair and impartial so that everyone had access to justice.

However, on account of the assessments by the many prophets in the Bible, all the kings failed in fulfilling their God given job description, some more spectacularly so than others!

So the longing for a truly good, wise, just, peace bringing leader still remained unfulfilled. We can relate to these longings even today as we try to work out what to do with our ballot papers.

For the Jewish people, these longings would crystallise in the hope of a coming Messiah, a God given leader who would be all these things. Christians believe that Jesus was the one sent from God, who is this truly good leader whose reign brings peace and justice and life for all. His reign is still growing where people recognise him as their leader and follow his teaching.

Where does this leave our actual elections and decisions? The Bible is quite clear that all human leaders will disappoint and fail or fall short in one way or another. We're not to turn away in cynicism or indifference though. We can use the values that Jesus taught and exhibited as a compass by which to make our own political decisions. We can pray for all our politicians that they may receive wisdom and seek the common good. And last but not least, we can ourselves in our own spheres of influence work towards the peace – Sjalom – well-being of all.

And all the while in the church during advent and beyond we will continue to pray for the Prince of Peace to come. You are welcome to join us any time!

Rev Hanneke Marshall

A POLITICALLY CORRECT CHRISTMAS POEM

T'was the night before Christmas and Santa's a wreck.....
How to live in a world that's politically correct?
His workers no longer would answer to "Elves"
"Vertically Challenged" they were calling themselves
And labour conditions at the North Pole
Were alleged by the union to stifle the soul.

Four reindeer had vanished, without much propriety
Released to the wilds by the Humane Society
And equal employment had made it quite clear
That Santa had better not use just reindeer.
So Dancer, and Donner, Comet and Cupid
Were replaced with 4 pigs,
And you know that looked stupid!

And as for the gifts, why Santa never had a notion
That making a choice could cause so much commotion.
Nothing of leather, nothing of fur
Which meant nothing for him and nothing for her.
Nothing that might be construed to pollute
Nothing to aim, Nothing to shoot
Nothing that clamoured or made lots of noise
Nothing for just girls, or just for the boys

No candy or sweets, they were bad for the tooth
Nothing that seemed to embellish a truth
No baseball, no football, someone could get hurt
Besides, playing sports exposed kids to the dirt
So Santa just stood there, dishevelled, perplexed
He just could not figure out what to do next
His sack was quite empty, limp to the ground
Nothing fully acceptable was to be found.

***Something special was needed, a gift that he might
Give to all without angering the left or the right***

***A gift that would satisfy, with no indecision
Each group of people, every religion
Every ethnicity, every hue
Everyone, everywhere..... even you
So here is that gift, it's price beyond worth
May you and your loved ones,
Enjoy Peace on Earth.***

CHURCHES OF THE WORLD

Cathedral of St Mary
Visby – Gotland (Sweden)



Visby is the capital of Gotland (a Swedish island in the Baltic Sea). It is known as the Town of Roses and Ruins. This becomes very obvious as you walk around this well-preserved medieval town.

A two mile long town wall semicircles the medieval city and 27 towers still survive. There are many ruins of castle, churches and monasteries here and the botanical gardens (created in 1855) is considered to be one of the finest in Sweden.

The dominant landmark is the three-towered Cathedral of St Mary with its dark spires and red roofs. German merchants raised the money to build this church late in 12th century. It was badly damaged by fire on 4 occasions and enlarged and restored several times. There is a 13th century baptismal font made of Gotland's marble and a wooden statue of Christ Resurrected. This is the only church not in ruins which is inside the walls.

Helen Bullen

NEW ELDERS



Scott McLaughlin and Aaron Marshall were ordained as Elders of St. Machar's Ranfurly Church at the morning service in the Church on 22nd November.

The pictures show the ceremony and the celebrations in the Hall afterwards.



NOTICES



The Terrace

Friday 31st January
Friday 28th February
Friday 27th March

Homemade Soups,
Sandwiches, Tea/Coffee,
Biscuits £4.00
Last Friday of the month
12 Noon - 1.30pm


Come along and enjoy good
food, good company

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


Link Seated Service

The Link Seated Service is on Friday 13th December at 2 pm in the Session Room. This is a short informal service followed by tea/coffee and a chat.

Anyone welcome.
Wheel chair access via ramp,



Funerals



Jesus said "I am the Resurrection and the Life...."

Margaret Bell
9th October

Jessie Hepburn
24th October

Visiting team

We are looking for a few more people who are willing to give some of their time to visit folk who are housebound or otherwise would appreciate a visit. You would be given one or two addresses to visit once or twice a month as you are able and willing.

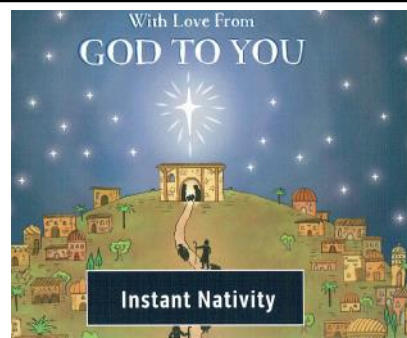
PVG disclosure will be needed, this requires a form to be filled in and some basic safeguarding training. Please speak to Ann Hart if you feel this is a way you could help care for our congregation ([01505 873010 \[rjhart20@gmail.com\]\(mailto:rjhart20@gmail.com\)](mailto:01505 873010_rjhart20@gmail.com)).

Guild Syllabus 2019/20

Dec 2	What Scotland has given to the world	Jack Lawson
Dec 16	TBA	
Jan 13	Lunch	River Inn
Jan 20	Accord	Alison Patrick
Feb 3	Mounted Police	PC Rosland Semple
Feb 12	Presbyterial Rally	
Feb 17	British Heart Foundation	Laura Stockwell
Mar 2	Journey from Holland to Bridge of Weir	Rev. Hanneke Marshall
Mar 16	Youth Assembly (AGM)	Emma Vaughan
Apr 4	Coffee Morning	
Apr 25	Presbyterial AGM	

Junior Church Dates

December 8th	February 23rd
December 15th	March 1st
January 19th	March 8th
January 26th	March 29th



With Love From
GOD TO YOU

Instant Nativity

Join in our Instant Nativity on Sunday 23rd December at 10:30 am. No rehearsals, lots of fun and well known carols. Everyone can dress up and take part.

ST MACHAR'S RANFURLY CHURCH

www.stmachersranfurlychurch.org.uk



Airport Runs

Please note that you can now book a run to the airport or to Johnstone Station by phoning: Morven McLeod - 07887 771522 or Jane Stirling - 07580 040186 A donation to Church funds is requested for this service.

DIARY

WORSHIP

EVENTS

December			
Sunday	1st	10.30 am	Morning Service - 1st Sunday in Advent
Sunday	8th	10.30 am	Morning Service Junior Church
Sunday	8th	4.00 pm	Service in Remembrance of those who have died
Friday	13th	2.00 pm	Friday Link - Seated Service - Session Room
Sunday	15th	10.30 am	Morning Service Junior Church
Sunday	22nd	10.30 am	Morning Service - Pop-up Nativity
Tuesday	24th	11.30 pm	Christmas Eve Watchnight Service
Wednesday	25th	10.30 am	Joint Christmas Day Service - Freeland Church
Sunday	29th	10.30 am	Morning Service
January			
Sunday	5th	10.30 am	Morning Service
Friday	10th	2.00 pm	Friday Link - Seated Service - Session Room
Sunday	12th	10.30 am	Morning Service
Sunday	19th	10.30 am	Morning Service—Junior Church
Sunday	26th	10.30 am	Morning Service—Junior Church
February			
Sunday	2nd	10.30 am	Morning Service
Sunday	9th	10.30 am	Morning Service

December			
Sunday	1st	3.00 pm	Clydebank Citadel Band Church
Monday	2nd	2.30 pm	The Guild - Jack Lawson Church Hall
Monday	16th	2.30 pm	The Guild Church Hall
January			
Saturday	2nd	am	Guide Coffee Morning Church Hall
Monday	13th	12.30pm	The Guild - Lunch River Inn
Monday	20th	2.30 pm	The Guild - Accord Church Hall
Wednesday	22nd	7.30 pm	"God Question" Seminar The Bridge
Tuesday	28th	7.30 pm	Kirk Session Meeting Session Room
Wednesday	29th	7.30 pm	"God Question" Seminar The Bridge
Friday	31st	12 noon	The Terrace Lunch Church Hall
February			
Monday	3rd	2.30 pm	The Guild - Mounted Police Church Hall

REGULAR ACTIVITIES - SEPTEMBER TO JUNE

Monday	7.30pm Guild 1 st and 3 rd weeks (October – May)	Thursday	6.30 pm Anchor Boys (<i>Freeland Hall</i>)
Tuesday	6-7pm 1 st B.o.W. Rainbows 7.30pm 2 nd B.o.W. Guides	Friday	6.30 –8pm Boys Brigade Junior Section (St Machar's Ranfurly Hall) 7.30-10pm Boys Brigade Company Section (<i>Freeland Hall</i>)
Wednesday	6-7pm 2 nd B.o.W. Rainbows 7.30pm 1 st B.o.W. Guides	Sunday	10. .30 am Junior Church (see notices & website for dates)

	BEADLE	SOUND	WELCOME		
<i>December</i> 15th	Jennie Durward	Jim Downie	Bill Christie (T)	Coral McLaughlin	Scott McLaughlin
22nd	Dennis Taylor	Dave Macdonald	Bobby Hart (T)	Ann Hart	Elizabeth Lyle
29th	Marion Reid	Ian Abernethy	Dave Macdonald (T)	Anne Allen	Jane Stirling
<i>January</i> 5th	Helen Bullen	Donna Bryson	Philip McCulloch (T)	Agnes McKechan	Morven McLeod
12th	Norma Hancock	Drew Richardson	Bill Robb (T)	Margaret Richardson	Naomi Butterworth
19th	Philip McCulloch	Dave Macdonald	Jim Downie (T)	Barrie Shepherd	Tricia Telfer
26th	Dick Hughes	Jim Downie	Dennis Taylor (T)	Mary Taylor	Sarah McNaught
<i>February</i> 2nd	Jennie Durward	Ian Abernethy	Allan Durward (T)	Jennie Durward	Lorraine Russell
9th	Marion Reid	Donna Bryson	Marion Reid (T)	Jamie Speirs	Shirley Speirs

FLOWERS			
	DONATION	DELIVERY	TRANSPORT
<i>December</i> 15th	Carole Cairney	Carole Cairney	Bobby Hart
22nd	Sarah McNaught	Sarah McNaught	Drew Richardson
29th	Christmas Flowers		Stewart Little
<i>January</i> 5th	Fiona Downie	Ann Hart	Ann Hart
12th	Helen Bullen	Helen Bullen	Norma Hancock
19th	Lorraine Russell	Lorraine Russell	Coral McLaughlin
26th	Mary Taylor	Mary Taylor	Stewart Yeaman
<i>February</i> 2nd	Ann Hart	Ann Hart	Francis Hancock
9th	Jane Stirling	Jane Stirling	Morven McLeod

