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# News Magazine

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## In this issue

***The 'New' Bell Is Ringing!***

***Calling us to Worship!***

***Calling us to know our LORD JESUS better –***

***through Prayer, Lent Studies and EASTER Communion –***

***we celebrate the season together***

***(with a smile along the way!)***

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## **From the Minister**

### ***WISDOM OF THE YEARS***

**This morning at worship I spoke about a debate I heard on the radio where some young people were speaking about denying the vote to people once they get to a certain age! The import of the argument was that young people know better what kind of future they envisage – what arrogance! Not to mention sheer ageism! Since when has lack of experience of life been a qualification for knowing more about life? I don't want to make a big issue of the suggestion, save to say that the same people, in twenty- or thirty-years' time, will have a very different view on the matter!**

**But it did get me thinking and along with a book I am reading called, "A Good Old Age" by Derek Prime, who is nearly ninety, I would like to reflect on the whole issue of age.**

**Let me begin by suggesting that as we live in our advanced years we should do so with thankfulness because there are many [the vast majority of our world] who have not been given the blessing of living so long. I realise that age does not come alone and it is accompanied with various limitations but we ought every day to thank God for the length of our days.**

**Second, we need to grasp life's opportunities even within some of the limitations that older years brings to us. I am amazed when I witness the amount of good work that is done by so many "retired" people in our community – good work that could not be done without them! Retirement and older years is a time when we can choose what we want to do and in so doing make a difference to the lives of people.**

**Third, faith does not diminish but increase with age. There is more time to pray, consider our faith, meditate and reflect. There is more time to do the works of faith because we have retired from other work. There is also time to make ourselves available to younger people and offer them our wisdom and counsel and time.**

**We ought never to be intimidated by suggestions that because of advancing years we are a burden on society. Many of us worked for over 50 years, supported our society with tax and national insurance [and many of us still pay tax] as well as supporting children, grandchildren and others. We have done our bit and continue to try to make a difference and we will not be**

**intimidated by such a selfish viewpoint that seeks to pull us down and make us feel guilty for living long – and in most cases, living well.**

**Finally, for any younger people reading this, celebrate the lives of the older people in your life, church and community, and if some of the older people you know are a bit cranky, remember that there are a lot of cranky younger people that we older people know! Spend time listening to the older folks you know – listen to their stories and gain from their wisdom. The Bible encourages us to respect age and the wisdom and experience it brings. Any body of people, like a church, needs the enthusiasm of youth, the energy of younger into middle years and the experience of age – we need all together and one without the other is the poorer.**

**Your Minister, your Friend and someone who is fast moving into the third of the above three categories!**

*Iain*



**FROM THE EDITOR**

**Firstly – a very happy and healthy New Year to you all.**

**The great news is that we came back in the knowledge that our leaking roof no longer should leak!! Work finished just before the end of the year and any little snags have now been worked on. Great News!!**

**The other news on the roof is the fact that we now have our old bell back in working order and it really is great to hear it on a Sunday morning – we have been without it for too long! There is a very interesting article included within these pages about the history of the bell and if anyone can add to what is there do please get in touch.**

**We have a new contribution to the magazine that comes from Church of Scotland HQ – 121 George Street, Edinburgh. The first of those is within these pages and you should look for the heading “And when you pray...”. There is a further suggested change I am making. As you know we have a “Poet’s Corner, but it is not every one of us that can write a poem. I would therefore encourage you to submit a favourite poem to me - or even the part of the poem you like. Please keep it short (examples are shown later in the magazine) as we are a bit tight for space. At one time or another we come across a poem that moves us or just curls the hair up on the back of the head. There are also parts of speeches from great orators that can be quite inspiring that I would be delighted to receive (again just include the main inspirational or moving part of the speech – again for reason of space).**

**I would also like to include a section with peoples’ favourite quotes from the Bible – does not need to be a full chapter – could be just 1 or two verses. No need to have your name printed if you prefer – but do include the Book of the Bible it is from, the chapter and verse numbers quoted. I would love to share these with the rest of the congregation and particularly to those who cannot manage to get to church.**

**This edition of the magazine of course covers Communion, Lent and that truly emotional, uplifting and inspiring time of Easter.**

**And of course, Spring is just around the corner!! Have you noticed the length of the days increasing – I watch the difference in sunset times each evening to encourage me along!! We are already an hour longer each evening since the equinox on 22<sup>nd</sup> December!**



**Do please approach me with any thoughts or ideas you may have for the magazine – I am always open to new thoughts and ideas.**

**REMEMBER – YOU ARE NOT ALONE!**

*Ross Kerr (Ed)*



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**WARM WELCOME  
GREETINGS YOU AT  
ST. MARGARET'S**

**St. Margaret's has always been known as a "welcoming church" and the first indication of this is when you enter the church to be met by people who are on "door duty" each week. Theirs is the smile and friendly words that hopefully make everyone feel they are welcomed, wanted and are part of a great big family.**



## COMMUNION

**THE KIRK SESSION WARMLY INVITES YOU TO COMMUNION**

**DATE- Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**TIMES - 10 am & 7.30 pm**

**We look forward very much indeed to welcoming you to either or both of the services. (*The evening service is more informal and very uplifting so why not come along and have a double Communion this time! Ed*)**

### COMMUNION DUTY

**SUNDAY, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Session Clerk: Ritchie Campbell**

**Senior Elder: Walter Brown**

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>1. J. Colville</b>     | <b>5. S. Foxley</b>        |
| <b>2. J. Adamson</b>      | <b>6. I. Telfer</b>        |
| <b>3. Mrs. L. Adamson</b> | <b>7. A. Prentice</b>      |
| <b>4. J. McLean</b>       | <b>8. Mrs. A. Prentice</b> |
- Reserve: Mrs. E. Pratt**

***(Note: The communion duty list for the full year is on the next page. Ed)***

## St Margaret's Parish Church Communion Duty 2019

### Sunday March 17th

Session Clerk: Ritchie Campbell

Senior Elder: Walter Bowie

- |                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. J Colville    | 5. S Foxley       |
| 2. J Adamson     | 6. I Telfer       |
| 3. Mrs L Adamson | 7. A Prentice     |
| 4. J McLean      | 8. Mrs A Prentice |

Reserve: Mrs M Watson

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### Sunday June 16th

Session Clerk Ritchie Campbell

Senior Elder: Walter Faichney

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Mrs M Aitken     | 5. T McIntosh     |
| 2. Mrs Fiona Grieve | 6. Mrs M McIntosh |
| 3. J Grieve         | 7. D Clark        |
| 4 Mrs A McArthur    | 8. J Anderson     |

Reserve: Mrs S Richards

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### Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>

Session Clerk: Ritchie Campbell

Senior Elder: Millar Gordon

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Mrs I Cunningham | 5 J Thomson        |
| 2. Mrs I Gillespie  | 6. Manuel Giraldis |
| 3. Mrs J McAleece   | 7. D Clark         |
| 4 Mrs J Gresty      | 8 Mrs J Eadie      |

Reserve: Mrs M Watson

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### Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>

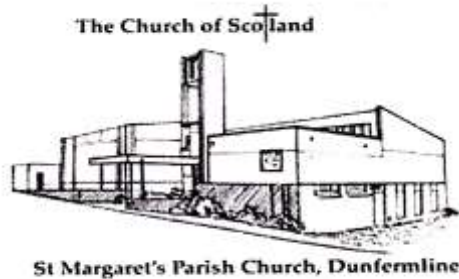
Session Clerk: Ritchie Campbell

Senior Elder: Ross Kerr

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| 1. J Colville    | 5. S Foxley       |
| 2. J Adamson     | 6. I Telfer       |
| 3. Mrs L Adamson | 7 A Prentice      |
| 4. J McLean      | 8. Mrs A Prentice |

Reserve: Mrs S Richards





## **SPIRITUAL ENCOURAGEMENT FUND**

As part of the goals for the Christian Education and Worship (CEW) Committee contained within our Mission Action Plan (MAP) approved by the Kirk Session (KS) in 2017, it was agreed to establish a Fund, from legacies, donations or Church funds, to encourage spiritual development.

This Fund will be operated by the Minister and Session Clerk and is open to all those belonging to St Margaret's Parish Church for their own personal development and the benefit of the Church.

Enquiries/applications for support should be made in the first instance and thereafter in writing to:

**Rev Iain Greenshields**  
38 Garvock Hill, Dunfermline, KY12 7UU  
Tel: 01383 723955: Mob: 07427 477 575

**Mr Ritchie Campbell**  
Session Clerk  
1 Pitbauchlie Bank, Dunfermline  
Tel: 01383 725516

## **SPIRITUAL ENCOURAGEMENT**

**Last Spring, we launched the Spiritual Encouragement Initiative. The aim is to help each of us undertake at least one spiritual learning activity each year. At the same time we also introduced the Spiritual Encouragement Fund to help with any costs.**

**Learning experiences come in many forms from attending courses, seminars and lectures to reading, listening to certain music, watching videos. Or it might involve prayer, discussion over coffee with others.**

**We will shortly be setting up a “learning resources area” where you’ll find information about learning activities and ideas.**

**It would also be helpful if we can share information about our learning experiences – an inspiring or challenging book perhaps or a very special place to visit, where one might sense the Spirit of God. The Magazine Editor will be delighted to receive feedback of this kind.**

**This is an important initiative for the congregation. If we can grow in faith and our knowledge of God we will be much better equipped to share the Christian story with others.**

*Heather Kelsall & Gordon Brown*

## From the Kirk

**And when you pray....**

**Matthew 6:7a**

**“How do you eat yours?” That was the question in a certain egg-shaped confectionery advert. The implication being that there is no right way to do it, but rather it’s about how you best experience the egg.**

**How do you pray?**

**Perhaps you haven’t really thought about it too much. Perhaps it’s now hard to concentrate because you’re thinking about chocolate, but regardless of appetite, past experiences, how we wrap it up or try to explain it, prayer can be rather confusing. It can often be a mystery. It can at times seem like a chore. It can even be a blessed relief.**

**So then, how *do* you pray?**

**Are you a morning person? Do you greet the sunrise with thanks and praise to our God? Do you utter hopeful words and try and live them throughout the day to come? Are you more spontaneous? Do you respond to life with a ‘breath prayer’, off the cuff, as life makes you dance to its tune and in each moment you seek the steadying hand of our Creator and Sustainer?**

**Perhaps you find yourself needing space. Like a free-diver coming up for air after plumbing the depths. Maybe you carve out some time in your day to be still and know the presence of God. You may prefer to reflect on your day in the presence of God, as was the practice of Ignatius of Loyola, who gave us the daily examen – a way of praying that helps us recognise God’s presence in the midst of the day just lived.**

**The practice of prayer is part of the lifeblood of our faith. We may find ourselves in the darkest of circumstances, when prayer is the only thing that we can turn to for comfort. We might see prayer as that thing we do together on a Sunday,**

or as the words said on our behalf by a minister or worship leader. Maybe it is the one thing that keeps us going, those times when we can just let God know how we are feeling. It might even be that thing that happens by accident or that we're unaware of until, looking back on a time of quiet, perhaps with a cup of tea or watching the world go by from our living room window, we realise that in the stillness, God was there the whole time.

Whatever your habit or preference may not really matter. What is important is that we are having the conversation, that we are opening ourselves up to God in whatever moment we can manage, that in some way prayer is part of our life. Prayer may be a constant companion on the journey, or a friend that visits once in a while, to bring comfort and solace. It may be something deeper, more mysterious that is largely left unspoken, something felt, yearned for, grieved over or something long-forgotten brought to mind.

How we pray then, is not the most important thing, but rather that the experience of prayer and the encounter with God is recognised. That our faith is tended and our relationship with God is nurtured, in precious moments. No fancy wrapping is needed and it may not always taste sweet but, in the midst of life, listening for and opening our hearts to God is indeed food for the soul.

*Resourcing Worship Team, Mission & Discipleship Council*

**To read Rev Kate MacDonald's latest "Partner Plan" letter from Tiberias in Israel, please follow the link below**

**[http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/54857/wmpplmcdonald1218.pdf](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/54857/wmpplmcdonald1218.pdf)**

## **St Margaret's e-Prayer Group**

**Do you know that we have a Prayer Group at St Margaret's?**

**This was set up at the Minister's request..**

**It is an "e" group, ie we do not meet together but requests are passed around via email,**

**Is there anything or anyone that you feel you might like the group to pray for?**

**You may rest assured that all requests are treated in confidence, only conveying what you wish. Remember, it is always good to know that others are holding you in their thoughts at times of difficulty and adding their prayers to yours.**

**You might feel that you would like to be part of the group. If so, you do need to have an email address for contact.**

**If you do have a request or would like to be part of the group then please do get in touch:**

**Vera Wilson**

**Group Co-ordinator**

**Tel 01383 720250**

**Email: [veewilson@btinternet.com](mailto:veewilson@btinternet.com)**

*(The more we have, the more the impact! So why not contact Vera to be put on the list? You are contacted by email, so it is quite painless – but does a LOT of good – and who knows when you might want a prayer for someone close to you. Well done Vera for setting this up. Ed)*



## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOB!**

Bob Kerr celebrated his 99th Birthday at Church on Sunday 13th January, 2019. Bob was given a resounding chorus of “Happy Birthday” by the congregation while Iain worked up a story during his JAM talk bringing out 6 of the children (and one young adult) whose ages added up to 99 and then asked Bob out to receive good wishes and a Birthday Cake made by a member of the congregation. Bob was absolutely delighted with this recognition.

**“Here’s to many more Bob!”**



## **MEN'S GROUP**

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

On 16 March – we are back in St Margaret's when we'll hear from David Chisholm about "*Nepal, 4 years after the earthquake.*"

Our last meeting of the current season takes place on 13 April when we'll welcome back Sandy Muirhead who will lead us in a discussion about "*what we believe about the promised second coming of Jesus.*"

All meetings are on a Saturday morning at 8.30 and begin with breakfast.

*Gordon*

## J.A.M. Club

Hello again! No doubt you're familiar with the old adage...."The best laid plans of mice and men often go awry." It sums up our festive plans for J.A.M. Club really well! We had planned to arrange a Christmas celebration for the children in church-all that changed, following a visit to Garvock House one morning in early November! I was approached by Pamela, who wished to know which date we would be able to bring the boys and girls for their festive dinner. (Many of you will be aware that this invitation was extended to us in 2017.) I could hardly believe that we were, once again, being offered such a wonderfully generous, kind and thoughtful invitation-needless to say the children were delighted to accept.

So, on the 16<sup>th</sup> December, we arrived ready to enjoy our very special meal. Everyone took their place at the beautifully-decorated table and began eating the first course...tomato soup! Well, nearly everyone began-we soon realised little Kelsie's chin was level with the table, which made eating a bit tricky! With the support of two cushions, all was well. The meal progressed without further ado until someone mentioned (just as the ice-cream was being served) that Santa was on his way! Believe me, ice-cream and chocolate flake have never been eaten so fast. Thankfully, Santa had managed to fit us into his busy schedule and duly arrived to distribute gifts to everyone. (One child told us that it was definitely Santa as she had recently met him at another party!)



A very happy group of children left the hotel that evening....taking with them memories to treasure. When I later spoke with Pamela, she said it had been a pleasure to invite the boys and girls and "was not really such a big thing to do." Well, I beg to differ. I'm sure you'll agree with me that it was a wonderful thing to do and I thank God for giving us people like Pamela who richly bless our lives.

As always, our aim is to remind the children about why Christians celebrate Christmas....to explain that, amidst the fun of anticipating which gifts we'll receive, we must remember that the most important gift of all is Jesus. This was (and always will be) our main focus.

Now of course we are in a new year which will inevitably present many challenges. Already we have experienced "highs and lows." But that's life, isn't it? Wouldn't it be awful if every day was the same? God gives us rich and varied experiences from which we can learn and develop. He helps us when we undergo difficult times and rejoices with us in the happy times. This is something which we talk about a lot with the children....that God is always there for us and wants us to build a relationship with him.

It has really gladdened our hearts to see that our prayer board is now taken seriously; each week the boys and girls think carefully about which people and situations should be included in our closing prayer. Through this, they are learning that prayers are answered in different ways- a valuable lesson in itself! Yes, it can be tricky at times when lots of suggestions come all at once....or indeed when we had to explain that we really couldn't pray for endangered polar bears every week!



As I mentioned in our previous article, we now have two groups at J.A.M. Club. Ally is leading the senior group and has already established an excellent relationship with these young people. He will be using the Authentic Youth Bible as the main resource for the work to be covered with our senior boys and girls. We are extremely grateful to the Spiritual Enlightenment Fund for covering the cost of these Bibles. Each child has been given their own copy and is looking forward to exploring many topics which relate to issues of great concern to them. It is vitally important that the young members of our church family see the Bible as being relevant in today's world. Ally, Iain and the leaders at J.A.M. Club will do their utmost to ensure this happens-but may we ask for YOUR prayerful support? It would be greatly valued.

Believe me, I fully understand how "change" can be hard to deal with at times. Nine years ago, when asked to help out with a "new kids' group," I envisaged a set-up which bears little resemblance to the way we run J.A.M. Club today. The fact is- we are on a journey. The road is full of twists and turns, but thankfully we don't have to travel alone.....God is with us every step of the way. Yes, mistakes will be made and wrong choices taken- but, hopefully, we'll learn from them. We are indeed asking a great deal of our Lord. However, one song which our children love to sing is "Our God is a Great Big God!" .....he most certainly is, so we'll put our trust in him!

On behalf of everyone at J.A.M. Club, may I wish you a year filled with blessings.





Elice and Kelsie presented Iain  
with a Christmas gift from  
**J.A.M. Club!**

Everyone sitting ready to begin  
our festive dinner!







It was an evening filled with fun and smiles!



Ciara guessed Rudolph's birthday. Santa presented her with her prize!



Mai guessed the number of Jaffa cakes in the Christmas tin!



## **"The Mystery of the Bell!"**

**Do you have the answer to the Mystery of the "new" St Margaret's bell? The huge project to replace St Margaret's crumbling roof was successfully completed in 2018, with financial donations and grants from many generous sponsors and much hard work.**

**Many thanks go to Fife Environmental Trust for sponsoring one particular part of this: the refurbishment of the bell tower.**

**In 2018 there was a big initiative from the British government to encourage the ringing of bells nationwide, and throughout the world, on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November – this to commemorate the bells that rang out on that day in 1918, after years of wartime silence, to mark the Armistice.**

**In Scotland, there was even an invitation for churches to record the sound of their bells ringing, to be sent in to the composer Martin Suckling. He composed a piece for the Scottish Chamber Orchestra called "*Meditation – after Donne*" (after John Donne's famous poem, "*Ask not for whom the bell tolls...*") which was interwoven with some of these recordings and performed for the first time in early November. Unfortunately, we were too late to record and have included the St Margaret's bell! It had to be taken down and sent away to be professionally restored, having been exposed to the elements at Touch for over 40 years – and not having rung for twenty years or so.**

### **Now comes the Mystery!!**

**The bell (*pictured on the front cover, photo taken by Irene Cunningham as "evidence" just before it was re-hung!*) bears the date "1812", and the professional restorers confirmed that this was indeed the date the bell was made! Well, you may think, the old St Margaret's Church in East Port was built in 1826 – it must have been that the new Touch St Margaret's was re-using and honouring a part of its heritage? Sounds plausible, but church members have told Rev Iain Greenshields that the old St Margaret's was the only church in town which had no bell! A bit of detective work with Henderson's "*Annals of Dunfermline*" tells us that the St Margaret's congregation was formed in September 1825, after a "Disruption" in the Queen Anne Street Church (later**

to be Erskine Church) over the choice of a new Minister. The “minority(!)” of 600 broke away, taking a short lease of the Maygate Chapel until a new building could be built for them to worship in, with a Minister of their own choosing.

Now it seems unlikely that we should now have a bell which came from Queen Anne Church, or from a Chapel which was only leased for 2 years.

Was this a bell donated from another church? a ship? a school? purchased by an individual as a gift? Do you remember it being installed at Touch in the early 1970's, perhaps?

The bell is of fine quality, with a sound that is not at all loud or sombre – it rings a sweet note, and is a beautiful call to Worship on Sunday mornings.

**But if you can shed any light on this Mystery, please let us Know!**

*(Church contact details are on the back page of the Magazine)*

*(My thanks to Morna for digging into this and completing the above – very helpful – and remember if you -or someone you know – might be able to throw any light on this then do please get in touch. Ed)*

**AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM  
AUDREY MacARTHUR**

**LIFE & WORK PAYMENTS.**

The new payment year for Life & work is with us and although some have paid their subscription, others are still due. Audrey will have – or will – contact those concerned. However a point of interest is that Audrey receives these payments in January of each year. This would be the full payment for the coming year and would replace the system of being able to pay the subscription monthly. St. Margaret's have to pay the annual fee to Life & Work and if paid monthly it means the church is out of pocket until the end of the year. This is to tidy up the current procedure.

Would anyone who is still due money for this coming year, who has been paying on a monthly, quarterly or any other process of payment other than annually, please contact Audrey immediately. If there is anyone who has or wants to stop taking Life & Work (hopefully nobody!) they must contact Audrey so we know to cancel the delivery of the magazine for that person. As long as magazines are sent to us we will pay whatever quantity has been set at the beginning of the year.

Your help on this matter is much appreciated.

*Audrey MacArthur*

*(Audrey can be contacted on Sunday at church or by telephone on Dunfermline 728128. Thanks. Ed)*

## **A few interesting facts for you!!!!**

- 1 1 million bulbs are used for the Blackpool Illuminations!**
- 2 It would take 7 Months to travel to Mars**
- 3 There is a Pygmy Sea Horse which is no bigger than a grain of Rice – 15mm in fact.**
- 4 There is a species of Duck- The Indian Runner Duck - which cannot fly but can run very fast. It originates from The East Indies and is sometimes called the penguin Duck because of its upright stance.**
- 5 In 18 Months 2 rats can produce over a million descendants.  
(Has anyone seen the Pied Piper recently?)**
- 6 A Quarter of all human Bones are in the feet.**
- 7 The M6 is 230 Miles long.**
- 8 We Scots may claim to have invented Porridge, but Oats have been part of the breakfast diet since 7,000 BC.**
- 9 The average human spends 25 years asleep in their lifetime.**
- 10 The maximum speed an elephant can run is 25kilometres per Hour. (I don't fancy putting it to the test)**

*(sent in by Moira Watson. Anybody signing up for the 7 month trip to Mars???? Ed)*

## **POETS CORNER**

### **A Smile**

A Smile is such a little thing  
But very much worthwhile  
Just think of all the joys you bring  
Each time you wear a smile  
When passing someone on the street  
Who may be feeling down  
It isn't any help to greet  
That person with a frown  
So many people that you see  
May need a little lift  
You have the opportunity  
To offer them that gift  
Be genuine, be generous  
And go that extra mile  
And make someone feel fabulous  
By giving them a smile.

*Dennis W Turner*  
(SENT IN BY MOIRA WATSON)

### **BACK THEN**

In my mind's eye I can go back in time  
The best way to do it is put it in rhyme  
To tell how it was all those years ago  
When life was much simpler and living seems slow.

We were brought up believing that respect was a must  
To show good manners at all times would gain others' trust  
Your word was your bond and made you who you are  
Looking up to your elders with admiration from afar.

**We made our own fun and played lots of games  
Like kick the can, hide and seek to mention a few names  
Money was scarce so we made our own toys  
Bows and arrows, slingshots and marbles for boys.**

**The girls played Polldaybeds and skipped with their ropes  
We made our own sledges and sped down the slopes  
Never a dull moment without telly or phones  
No plastic cards or trying to keep up with Mrs Jones.**

*(Another poet in our midst in the form of Manuel Giraldas. Took me way back with a lump in my throat!! Ed)*

### A Grace After Dinner

**O thou, in whom we live and move-  
Who made the sea and shore;  
Thy goodness constantly we prove,  
And grateful would adore;  
And, if it please Thee, Power above!  
Still grant us, with such store,  
The friend we trust, the fair we love-  
And we desire no more. Amen!**

***Rabbie Burns***

*(As we recently celebrated Burns Night, I thought this would be appropriate.  
It's a not so well known change from the well known "We hae meat...Ed)*



**The Mall is my shepherd**

**The Mall is my shepherd,  
I shall always need more.**

**It makes me lie down in mattress stores;  
it leads me beside coffee shops;  
it restores my greed.  
It leads me down paths for the sake of its sales.**

**Even though I walk the aisles of outlet stores,  
I am not afraid,  
for you are at my side  
your credit cards and coupons – they comfort me.**

**You prepare a feast for me at the food court  
in the midst of shoving shoppers,  
you anoint me with cappuccinos,  
my latte overflows.**

**Surely stress and debt shall follow me  
all the days of my life (and my kids),  
and I shall live at the mall  
every day of my life.**

*(Liked this from Helen Brown – perhaps more for the ladies? Ed)*

## **A Message of Thanks**

**Our thanks are extended to the people who have been knitting jumpers, hats and blankets.**

**These items have been gratefully received by Rosyth Methodist Church and will be passed on to Linda Mitchell, who used to be Deputy Head of Donibristle School.**

**She will forward the items to the Coordinator of Leading Change Uganda for use in the villages of by Bawaali and BBanga.**

**Keep up the good work!**

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**2019**

<b>Jan 6</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs v Evans</b>
<b>Jan13</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs Linda Adamson</b>
<b>Jan20</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>Mrs J Eadie J Eadie</b>
<b>Jan27</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs v Wilson Mrs M Hynd</b>
<b>Feb 3</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>Feb10</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mrs C Gray Mrs M Chapman</b>
<b>Feb17</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh</b>	<b>Mrs C McCulloch Mrs E Brown</b>
<b>Feb 24</b>	<b>J Colville Mrs A McArthur</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>Mar 3</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs J Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>Mar 10</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>

<b>Mar 17</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon Mrs C Gray</b>	<b>Mrs V Evans Mrs M Chapman Mrs C McCulloch</b>
<b>Mar 24</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs M Hynd Mrs E Brown</b>
<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice</b>	<b>J Thomson Mrs M Watson</b>
<b>Apr 7</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mrs C Gray Mrs M Chapman</b>
<b>Apr14</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh</b>	<b>Mrs S Richards Mrs M Aitken</b>
<b>Apr 21</b>	<b>J Colville Mrs A McArthur</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>Apr28</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>May5</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>
<b>May12</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>Mrs M Hynd Mrs V Evans</b>
<b>May19</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs C McCulloch Mrs E Brown</b>
<b>May26</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice</b>	<b>J Thomson Mrs M Watson</b>

<b>June 2</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mr M Chapman Mrs C Gray</b>
<b>June 9</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>June16</b>	<b>J Colville Mrs M Watson J Eadie</b>	<b>Mrs M Aitken Mrs M Hynd Mrs J Eadie</b>
<b>June23</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>June30</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>
<b>Jul 7</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>Mrs S Richards Mrs V Evans</b>
<b>Jul 14</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs C McCulloch Mrs E Brown</b>
<b>Jul 21</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice</b>	<b>J Thomson Mrs M Watson</b>
<b>Jul 28</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mrs M Chapman Mrs C Gray</b>
<b>Aug 4</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh</b>	<b>Mrs S Richards Mrs M Aitken</b>

<b>Aug 11</b>	<b>J Colville Mrs A McArthur</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>Aug 18</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>Aug25</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>
<b>Sept1</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>Mrs J Eadie Mrs V Evans</b>
<b>Sept8</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs M Hynd J Thomson</b>
<b>Sept15</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice Mrs M Watson</b>	<b>Mrs E Brown Mrs M Aitken Mrs S Richards</b>
<b>Sep 22</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mrs C Gray Mrs Chapman</b>
<b>Sep29</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh</b>	<b>Mrs F Grieve J Grieve</b>
<b>Oct 6</b>	<b>J Colville A McArthur</b>	<b>Mrs M Hynd Mrs V Evans</b>
<b>Oct 13</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>Oct 20</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>

<b>Oct 27</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>Mrs C McCulloch Mrs E Brown</b>
<b>Nov 3</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>J Thomson Mrs M Watson</b>
<b>Nov10</b>	<b>A Prentice Mrs A Prentice</b>	<b>Mrs M Aitken Mrs S Richards</b>
<b>Nov17</b>	<b>T McIntosh Mrs M McIntosh J Eadie</b>	<b>Mrs V Evans Mrs M Hynd Mrs J Eadie</b>
<b>Nov 24</b>	<b>R Kerr Mrs D Hynd</b>	<b>Mrs M Chapman Mrs C Gray</b>
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<b>Dec 8</b>	<b>Mrs I Cunningham Mrs I Gillespie</b>	<b>Mrs J McAleece Mrs J Gresty</b>
<b>Dec 15</b>	<b>W Bowie J Adamson</b>	<b>Mrs N Bowie Mrs L Adamson</b>
<b>Dec 22</b>	<b>J McLean M Gordon</b>	<b>J Thomson Mrs M Watson</b>
<b>Dec 29</b>	<b>I Telfer S Foxley</b>	<b>Mrs M Aitken Mrs S Richards</b>

FLOWER CALENDAR 2019

Date	Donor	Tel No	Arranger	Tel No
Jan 6	Mr & Mrs R Kerr	726663	June McAleece	724992
13	Moira Moyes	738341	Marion Aitken	735996
20	Audrey McArthur	728128	A McArthur	728128
27	Isobel Gillespie	720199	J McAleece	724992
Feb 3	Mr & Mrs J Eadie	721922	Joan Eadie	721922
10	Lottie Giraldis	720224	N Bowie	737779
17	Mr & Mrs I Watson	721285	C Watson	721285
24	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
Mar 3	Grace Short	725119	M Aitken	735996
10	M Orr	320350	J McAleece	724992
17	Mr & Mrs A Watson	07766295705	M McIntosh	726342
24	Mr & Mrs W Bowie	737779	N Bowie	737779
31	Mrs J McAleece	724992	J McAleece	724992
Apr 7	R Kemp-McKinnon	01577863936	C Watson	721285
14	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
21	L Stevenson	721075	A McArthur	728128
28	Vera Wilson	725250	J McAleece	724992
May 5	Mr & Mrs A Prentice	852426	J McAleece	724992
12	Marion Aitken	735996	Marion Aitken	735996
19	Helen Bell	725753	A McArthur	728128
26	Pam Moultrie	622329	N Bowie	737779
June 2	Mr & Mrs Cunningham	731947	J McAleece	724992
9	Jean Todd	724953	M Aitken	735996
16	Pitblabo Family	723091	C Watson	721285
	Lynn McCall	07789505505		
23	Sheena Swan	729607	J McAleece	724992
30	Mr & Mrs R Pratt	731525	A McArthur	728128



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Jul 7	Pam Moultrie	622329	N Bowie	737779
14	Lottie Giraldis	720224	M Aitken	735996
21	Mrs B Mackie	726284	M McIntosh	726342
28	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
Aug 4	Mr & Mrs I Watson	721285	C Watson	721285
11	M Aitken	735996	M Aitken	735996
18	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
25	Mrs A McArthur	728128	A McArthur	728128
Sep 1	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
8	J Strang	722026	M Aitken	735996
15	Grace Short	725119	C Watson	721285
22	Mr & Mrs A Watson	07766295705	J McAleece	724992
29	L Stevenson	721075	A McArthur	718128
Oct 6	Mr & Mrs McIntosh	726342	M McIntosh	726342
13	Vera Wilson	720250	J McAleece	724992
20	Mrs A McArthur	728128	A McArthur	728128
27	Mrs M Scoon	733937	N Bowie	737779
Nov 3	Mr & Mrs A Watson	07766295705	C Watson	721285
10	The Guild		M Aitken	735996
17	Mr & Mrs Cunningham	731947	J McAleece	724992
24	Mr & Mrs W Bowie	737779	N Bowie	737779
Dec 1	Mrs Sheena Swan	729607	C Watson	721285
8	Mrs Merva Brown	721661	J McAleece	724992
15	Mr & Mrs J Adamson	727719	M McIntosh	726342
22	Mr & Mrs A Watson	07766295705	N Bowie	737779
29	Mr & Mrs I Carlton	721049	A McArthur	728128

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Jan 6	Tom and Marjory McIntosh	726342
13	Jennifer Paxton	249220
20	Marion Smith	320354
27	Janet Gresty	728104
Feb 3	Marion Aitken	735996
10	Helen Brown	01577 840248
17	Christine Hunter	721802
24	Walter and Nancy Bowie	737779
Mar 3	Isobel Gillespie	720199
10	Sheila McIntyre	735352
17	John and Sheila McLean	726919
24	John and Diane Hynd	729341
31	Margaret Hynd	721314
Apr 7	Pam Moultrie	622329
14	Jim and Linda Adamson	727719
21	Maureen Chapman	725049
	Catherine Gray	732849
28	Val Evans	727557
May 5	Keith and Elizabeth Brown	733956
12	Jennifer Paxton	249220
19	Tom and Marjory McIntosh	726342
26	Robert and Etta Pratt	731525
June 2	Jim and Fiona Grieve	831614
9	Marion Smith	320354
16	Janet Gresty	728104
23	Isobel Gillespie	720199
30	Pam Moultrie	622329

**SUNDAY MORNING TEA/COFFEE ROTA: FEBRUARY, 2019 - 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2019**

<b>February, 2019</b>	<b>03</b>	Mrs Irene Cunningham Mrs Marjory McIntosh	Mrs June McAleece Mr Tom McIntosh	Mrs Isobel Gillespie Mrs Joyce Copland
	<b>10</b>	Mrs Ann Prentice	Mrs Margaret Orr	Mrs Catherine McCulloch
	<b>17</b>	Mrs Nancy Bowie	Mrs Margaret Hynd	Mrs Jeanette Clements
	<b>24</b>	Mrs Maureen Chapman	Mrs Ann McEwen	Mrs Sarah Richards

<b>March, 2019</b>	<b>03</b>	Mrs Irene Cunningham Mrs Marjory McIntosh	Mrs June McAleece Mrs Marion Smith	Mrs Isobel Gillespie Mr Tom McIntosh
	<b>10</b>	Mrs Ann Prentice	Mrs Ann McEwen	Mrs Margaret Orr
	<b>17</b>	Mrs Nancy Bowie	Mrs Sarah Richards	Mrs Joyce Copland
	<b>24</b>	Mrs Catherine Gray	Mrs Margaret Hynd	Mrs Catherine McCulloch
	<b>31</b>	Mrs Maureen Chapman	Mrs Pam Moultrie	Mrs Jeanette Clements

<b>April, 2019</b>	<b>07</b>	Mrs Irene Cunningham Mrs Marjory McIntosh	Mrs June McAleece Mr Tom McIntosh	Mrs Isobel Gillespie Mrs Margaret Orr
	<b>14</b>	Mrs Catherine Gray	Mrs Ann McEwen	Mrs Pam Moultrie
	<b>21</b>	Mrs Ann Prentice	Mrs Margaret Hynd	Mrs Sarah Richards
	<b>28</b>	Mrs Maureen Chapman	Mrs Catherine McCulloch	Mrs Marion Smith

<b>May, 2019</b>	<b>05</b>	Mrs Irene Cunningham Mrs Marjory McIntosh	Mrs June McAleece Mr Tom McIntosh	Mrs Isobel Gillespie Mrs Joyce Copland
	<b>12</b>	Mrs Catherine Gray	Mrs Jeanette Clements	Mrs Catherine McCulloch
	<b>19</b>	Mrs Nancy Bowie	Mrs Pam Moultrie	Mrs Margaret Orr

	<b>26</b>	Mrs Maureen Chapman	Mrs Ann McEwen	Mrs Margaret Hynd
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<b>June, 2019</b>	<b>02</b>	Mrs Irene Cunningham Mrs Marjory McIntosh	Mrs June McAleece Mr Tom McIntosh	Mrs Isobel Gillespie Mrs Margaret Hynd
	<b>09</b>	Mrs Ann Prentice	Mrs Marion Smith	Mrs Margaret Orr
	<b>16</b>	Mrs Nancy Bowie	Mrs Pam Moultrie	Mrs Catherine McCulloch
	<b>23</b>	Mrs Catherine Gray	Mrs Ann McEwen	Mrs Joyce Copland
	<b>30</b>	Mrs Maureen Chapman	Mrs Jeanette Clements	Mrs Sarah Richards

- **Thanks to everyone named above for supporting the Tea/Coffee Rota**
- **Tea, coffee, sugar, mugs and teaspoons are permanently available in the Session Room, no need to bring down from kitchen unless stock is required to be topped up.**
- **Volunteers are still needed - please contact Marjory McIntosh, Tel: 726342, for details**

## **ORGANISATIONS**

**Bowling Fellowship** - Meet on Mondays in the main hall at 6.30pm. Contact Tom McIntosh on 01383 726342

**The Craft Group** - Meet on Tuesdays in the Rita Elder Hall at 2.00pm. Contact Audrey McArthur on 01383 728128

**Swingnastics** – Meet from September to May every Wednesday in the Rita Elder Hall at 10.00am Contact Catherine McCulloch on 01383 734463

**Ladies Badminton** - Meet for social Badminton every Wednesday at 10.00am - 12 noon in the Church Main Hall. Contact Cherry O'Sullivan on 01383 720594

**Banner Group** - Meet on Thursdays in the Rita Elder Hall at 2pm Contact June McAleece on 01383 724992

**Men's Breakfast Discussion Group** – Meets periodically on a Saturday morning from September - May at 8.30am (see website or programme in the magazine for actual dates and/or contact Gordon Brown on 01577 840248)

**Sunday Club & Crèche** - Meet in the Church at 10.00am on Sundays during Morning Service, except during school holidays. Contact - Helen Webber on 01383 736486

**JAM (Jesus And Me) CLUB** –Meet Sundays in term time at 5.45pm - 7.15pm. Contact Linda Adamson on 07540 284027

**Rainbows** - Meet every Tuesday in the Rita Elder Hall at 6.15pm - 7.30pm Contact Anne Laird on 01383 727515

**Brownies** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dunfermline Pack meet on Wednesdays in the Downstairs Hall 6.15pm - 7.45pm. Contact Susan Guild on 01383 727167

**2<sup>nd</sup> Dunfermline Guides** meet on Thursdays in term time, from 7.15-9.15pm.

For more information, please contact Anne Simpson on 01383 410490 or 07972181351

### **BEAVERS - CUB SCOUTS - SCOUTS - EXPLORER SCOUTS**

Meet in **the Scouts H.Q. Carron Grove**

Contact GSL Graham McCreadie

**Beavers** - Mondays 6.30pm - 7.45pm

**Cubs** - Tuesdays 7.00pm - 8.30pm

**Scouts** - Wednesdays 7.30pm - 9.30pm

**Explorer Scouts** - Thursdays 7.00pm - 9.00pm



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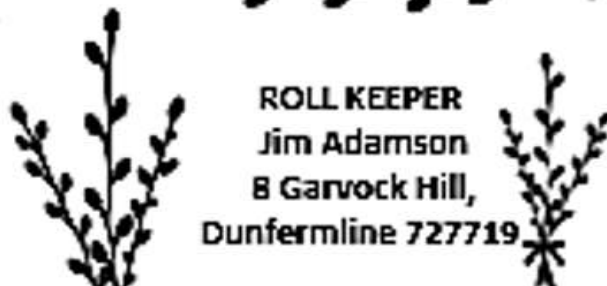
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