

Greenbank Connections



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It's that time again – the Greenbank Scout Group Annual Jumble Sale (see pages 9 and 16)

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Minister's Letter

Dear Friends



It hardly seems a year since my ordination and induction – the time has fairly flown by! It was lovely to be reminded of the anniversary at worship on Sunday 17th March, and I was very grateful for Valerie's kind words, the warm applause of the congregation, and the promise of cake afterwards – two pieces were smuggled out to me at the door, just in case you wondered!!

One of the delights of Greenbank is how the congregation gets behind things. In particular, we are thrilled with over 70 people taking part in our **Community Bible Experience** during Lent. This is really wonderful, and I'm so grateful to all of our hosts and facilitators for making it happen. As we head through Lent towards Holy Week, thoughts turn to our joint services with Morningside Parish Church – this time taking place at Morningside. I hope that many of you will be able to help us to follow Jesus through the "Art of Holy Week". Each service will feature a different

work of visual art inspired by Holy Week, which is the focus for our worship each evening. On Good Friday, we're going to be welcoming Bishop Richard Holloway to lead **The Three Hours** service from 12 noon to 3pm. Richard is still an incredibly powerful speaker and one of the most moving conveyors of the power of the Passion narrative. The three hours is divided into 30 minute segments, enabling people to come for 30 minutes or more at times to suit them. You can be part of it for 30 minutes or as much of the rest as you can manage. Each section will include a reading, prayer, reflection from Richard, poetry, and some beautiful music from the wonderful cellist, Harriet Davidson, niece of our members Ralph and Gillie Davidson. On Easter Day itself, we are excited to be following in the footsteps of the early church by holding a dawn service in Braidburn Valley Park at 5.30am. As we see the light of the rising of the sun in the east, we remember Christ the Son of Righteousness, rising from the tomb, and we light the new fire to symbolise his resurrection. The Easter vigil was traditionally the time for adult baptism and confirmation / profession of faith, and we're

especially pleased to have two candidates for baptism, which will take place alongside the Braid Burn at the "tree theatre". I am assured that the burn is cleaner than the River Jordan currently is, so maybe the water isn't too risky! It'll be a very special service, and I hope that many of you will come to support the candidates and then to join us for breakfast in the church halls afterwards. There are rumours of bacon rolls and other delights...

The following Sunday, 28th April, will be our confirmation/profession of faith Sunday, when we give people the chance to formally commit as followers of Jesus and to receive confirmation of God's loving action towards them in their baptism. Please contact me if you are interested in being part of either of these programmes. I hope that your walk through Lent is filled with plenty of time for reflection and the chance to draw closer to God as you do that. May the journey make our destination of Easter all the more glorious. Christ is risen – alleluia!

With love and best wishes,



Martin Ritchie

Communion at Home

I wonder if you realise that we share communion with some of our members in their homes? This is particularly the case where they are unable to get to church for health reasons. We view home communion as an extension of what we share in church at the quarterly celebration of the Lord's Supper. Home communion is a chance to share in the sacramental life of the whole congregation, even if you can't be in church in person. Sometimes communion will be shared between myself and the member, but on other occasions there may be a few members and friends, and perhaps one or two elders taking part. Each situation is unique, and we make arrangements to suit. If I offer home communion, please don't think it's got anything to do with "the last rites" – a common misconception! If you would like to share communion at home, I'd be delighted to do that with you, so you just let me know.

Martin Ritchie

'Bunnies and Eggs'

Why eggs? Why bunnies? They feature so prominently around Easter. The short answer is that they were symbols of rebirth and fertility. The shape of the egg alluded to the circularity of the seasons, but not in quite the same way as before. Often, this idea swelled beyond its proper boundaries. The temptation, even today, is to reduce the resurrection message of Easter to the ebb and flow of the seasons, or to a closed circle of life and death, good and evil, a season to plant and a season to reap. It's just part of 'how the world is'. But this is, I think, to insulate us from the shocking message of Easter. The Gospel of Mark, (in)famously, may have ended: 'and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.'

This Shorter Ending, some think, is due to an early manuscript tearing and us losing a final part of the Gospel! It was shocking, the prospect of a grave robbery... or perhaps a genuine bodily resurrection. This is that shocking message: that the 'old' way of 'how the world is', that closed circle of life and death is remade. The stillness of the graveyard is interrupted.

Often enough, you'll not be surprised to read, teens tell me Jesus was a zombie. Granted, that would be shocking too. But more of the same, really. We expect that bodies decay, and are less than they were in life. We don't expect that risen bodies are more than their former lives. Yet that is the Jesus who shocked those first men and women who followed him.

That is the Jesus I follow, who reveals to us that we can be more, that we can grow, and that 'the way the world is' will not always be. Yet while it is, we have work to do, and good news to tell. Thank the Lord for that!

Steve Chaffee

Monday Bible Study

The group meets fortnightly in the Pentland Room to learn and develop our Christian fellowship and discipleship. We are currently using *Christian Character (Life-builder)*, ISBN 9781859993750, which is an inductive Bible study, designed to help us discover for ourselves what Scripture is saying. We start and finish each study with prayer, and follow our study period with refreshments.

Future dates and Bible passages are:

29 Apr *Trusting God*

Genesis 22:1-19

13 May *Living Holy Lives*

Ephesians 4:17-5:7

27 May *Showing Compassion*

Luke 10:25-37

For further information please contact Joan Ritchie or Gillian Sweetman.

Joan Ritchie

Connections Feedback Form

Thanks to the 27 readers who took the trouble to complete our recent Questionnaire. The responses are currently being considered by the Kirk Session Communications Committee.

One of the responders was our old friend, Susan Cowell, who wrote as follows:

"As an old and ex probationer (1985-87) I am very grateful to receive news of Greenbank. Thank you for including me in the mailing. Greetings from one who never forgets the welcome, encouragement and love of Greenbank. Susan Cowell"

Castle Community Bank

The Rev Iain May, Minister of South Leith Church and chair of Castle Community Bank, gave a presentation to the Kirk Session in November 2018 about the Bank at our invitation. The Bank's *raison d'être* is to reduce financially vulnerable individuals' reliance on high cost pay day loans, and to provide access to more affordable finance so that people can pursue realistic aspirations for their lives. The bank has a commercial model, and so provides loans to a wide range of customers in order to support the risk of loans to those who are unlikely to achieve a loan from High Street banks. The Presbytery of Edinburgh and several Edinburgh churches have invested capital in the Bank, and the Kirk Session asked our finance committee to explore whether it might be appropriate for us to do the same. Representatives of Greenbank Church met with senior officials of the Bank recently to hear more about the possibilities.



The Bank is a highly regulated business and is looking to raise further regulatory capital in order to expand its operations. Capital requires to be lent for at least 5 years and redemption of funds requires the approval of the Regulators, so is not guaranteed to be available on demand of the investor for its release. Because Greenbank does not have access to funds of the type that could be used in this way, we can't consider investing at present, but we found it very interesting to hear of the bank's model.

Although we can't invest corporately as Greenbank Parish Church, it is possible for individual members to consider opening a savings account, or to invest more significant funds to provide regulatory capital. If you are interested in supporting the bank, more information and contact details can be found on their website:

www.castlecommunitybank.co.uk

John Ritchie, Michael Struthers,
Martin Ritchie

A Message from the Treasurer

Writing Cheques

The Bank of Scotland have advised me that they are tightening up the examination of cheques that are lodged with them.

Greenbank Church and YACHT have separate accounts, but both are in the name 'Greenbank Church', so cheques written to 'Greenbank YACHT' will in future be rejected by the Bank. Those who wish to donate to the YACHT Fund should please make any cheques payable to 'Greenbank Church' and write 'YACHT' on the reverse of the cheque.

John Ritchie

New Faces

Mary and Steve Hadden moved to Edinburgh from Aberdeen when Steve got a new job with a social housing organisation. He is enjoying the work, finding it well organised and with a good ethos, and finds it satisfying to be part of providing people with affordable housing. Mary is a Social Worker involved with people with Alzheimer's. They have two daughters, one in the Ambulance service and one at Dundee University doing a Nursing degree.

In Aberdeen they were members of

Queen's Cross Church and on coming to Edinburgh they tried many churches. Theology is important to them but they were also looking for a welcoming church. They have felt welcome in Greenbank and this was helped by knowing a few members before they arrived. They are finding there are lots of things to join, are enjoying the Bible Studies and Martin's lead in music, and are interested in the Holy Corner and Pub meetings. They have appreciated the level of information about activities which they have received as new members.

Edith Armit



Stephen and Mary Hadden



Plans are well underway for *Heart and Soul* on **Sunday 19th May**. We would love your congregation to be a part of the event.

- If you have a band or individual who might play well in the middle of an event for 4,500 people, then the Project Board would love them to get in touch. Individuals and groups can register online; we ask that they supply a link to a video of a performance at www.heartandsoul.org.uk/signup/stage in order to be considered to play on the Main Stage.
- Congregations will be able to showcase some of the community work in which they are engaged. I hope there will be new congregations and projects that can inspire those who come along to try something new and '*step into the community, step into discipleship*'. You can find out more and register your interest in exhibiting at www.heartandsoul.org.uk/signup/notice

Please consider bringing a group from your church, and please tell people about the event – there will be many things for them to enjoy. Keep in touch with announcements at www.heartandsoul.org.uk and help make this year's *Heart and Soul* the biggest yet.

Rev Bryan Kerr, Convener, Heart and Soul Project Board

Morlich House Coffee Morning

Saturday 27th April 2019 10am to 12 noon

This is always a popular event with stalls for plants, bakery and gifts.

Tickets (£3 including coffee/tea/juice/biscuits) on sale after all 10.30am services. Donations for the stalls will be very welcome.

Come along and enjoy the coffee and chat as we raise funds for Morlich House – the Church of Scotland Care Home at Churchhill.

The event is in Morningside United Church at Holy Corner.

Anne Oxbrow, Friends of Morlich

YACHT News

While it seems some time ago, can we thank again all who contributed to the Burns Supper at the end of January! Opposite we show a picture of all those who enjoyed the fine food, toasts, speeches, music and song. It was quite evident that all the speakers and performers had put a lot of time and thought into their particular contributions which were all splendid and for that we are very grateful. The evening was also a financial success with **£4,500** being raised for the YACHT campaign – due in large measure to those who offer (and those who bid for!) items in the auction, and for which much thanks is also due.

At the time of writing we are looking forward to the Brides and Bubbles Afternoon Tea Event with its fashion show of 100 years



The Minister addresses the haggis



Jim Young

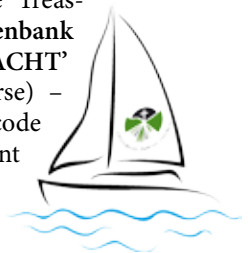
of wedding dresses on **30th March 2019**. This is set to be another sell out and memorable event in the YACHT calendar! Regarding calendars, we should let you know that as the campaign ends in September 2019, that means there will be no 2020 Greenbank Calendar. So thanks go to all who have submitted their photographs to be voted on and selected, and to those who have made a purchase over the last few years to make this a success. Particular thanks must go to John Murison and David Jack who have masterminded this particular project.

As we approach the last few months of the campaign, we intend to finish where we started with a final Ceilidh event on **28th September 2019** – a date for your diary.

In the meantime we wish to acknowledge the terrific donation from the Scouts of **£750** as part share from the sale of Christmas trees and also the very generous donation from the family of Dora Elliot in her memory – much appreciated.

In the vein of donations, we are in the last few months of the campaign, and want to make a last final push to get us to the original target – so if you can help please send cheques to the Treasurer in name of 'Greenbank Church' (with 'YACHT' written on the reverse) – or by BACS to sort code **80-02-27** and account no **10287964**.

Jim Young
YACHT Committee



Greenbank Church Running Group

The running group has been meeting weekly now on a Thursday evening since the start of January. We have progressed through the Couch to 5km (C25k) programme and are now nearing the full 5km mark!! It has been great to get to know more people in church and keep fit at the same time!

We are going to continue the group next term and, if there is enough new interest, potentially also rerun the C25k programme with more beginner runners. If you are interested in coming along, you would be very welcome. Just drop me a text or give me a call.



Katie Bogie (Tel 0755 767 6231)

Greenbank Scout Group Annual Jumble Sale

Saturday 13th April: 9.30am–12 noon Admission £2 (See advert on back page)

During the week **Monday 8th–Friday 12th April** (evenings only, 6.30pm–8.30pm), our Scouts will be calling on houses in this area to collect items to sell, such as: Books and Toys; Clothing; Crockery; Working Electrical Goods; Small items of Furniture; Glassware;

Hardware; Pictures and Mirrors; Records, DVDs and CDs; Soft furnishings; and any other saleable items. **All offers of help collecting or displaying items and on the day will be gratefully received – please see the form in the vestibule.**



Drinks reception before the YACHT Burns Supper (see article opposite)

What's Going On In Pre School?

Greenbank Pre School continues to offer children aged 3-5 a well-rounded programme of education and care in the Centenary Hall. Our teacher, Mrs Kyra Okoth, leads a team of experienced Early Years Practitioners. This term the children have enjoyed our dinosaur theme, which links to all areas of the Curriculum for Excellence. The children have also learned from the "Wee Faces" workshops at the Portrait Gallery on 1st March.

On 23rd March we have our annual BIG DIG when parents come along to tend our garden spaces and upcycle materials into new outdoor play equipment while the

children have a play day. On 26th April the Rev Dr Martin Ritchie will lead our Easter Service in the church.

As a funded partner with City of Edinburgh Council, from August 2019 we will be piloting 1140 hours, and we are currently planning for this change. From August 2020 all children aged 3-5 will be eligible for 1140 hours of funded early education and childcare, and next session's pilot will better prepare us for the following year.

We currently have a few afternoon spaces available, and are taking applications for children to start in August.

Joan Ritchie, Chair of the Management Committee



Testing new play equipment



Part of the Centenary Hall, the Pre School home

Greenbank Easter Appeal 2019

Last Year a small group in Greenbank were tasked with looking at raising awareness in Greenbank Church of domestic abuse, in line with the Church of Scotland's initiative to increase



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awareness and access to specialist support services and agencies for those affected by domestic abuse. The Church is appealing to congregations to develop strategies for offering support in their parishes. The Congregational Board have decided to support Edinburgh Women's Aid for the Easter Appeal this year.

Domestic abuse can affect anyone, in all age groups and across all social classes but 80% of the victims are women. It is well recognised that taking that first step to seek help is extremely hard and finding a safe place to do so equally challenging. Edinburgh Women's Aid has been providing that safe place and support to women and children affected by domestic abuse for the past 45 years. They provide a range of services, including: a dedicated helpline and drop-in; counselling; outreach; refuge accommodation; a court advocacy service for both women and children; resettlement; and therapeutic support for children and young people. Last year they provided support to almost 2,000 women and 179 children and young people.

Police Scotland recorded almost 60,000

cases of domestic abuse in 2016/17: four out of five victims were women. The

World Health Organisation has estimated that 1 in 3 women worldwide will experience physical and/or

sexual violence in their lifetime.

Working Together Project

Working Together is a programme of support being developed by Edinburgh Women's Aid. The aim of the project is that about 90 women will be supported over the next three years to become more financially independent.

Women who have experienced domestic abuse can need financial independence to free themselves from the perpetrator; establish a new home; and support themselves and their children. They can also face barriers to employment (such as homelessness, lack of self-esteem and little or no possessions or financial resources) which make finding or maintaining a job seem almost impossible. Edinburgh Women's Aid Working Together project is local. Helping those who are vulnerable and marginalised is at the centre of our faith and by supporting this project urgently needed funds can be raised to support this 'life transforming' work.

For more information please visit

edinwomensaid.co.uk

Working Towards a Society That's Free From Abuse

Susan Inch

World Mission Team

Our Mission Partner

You may recall that we were introduced to our new mission partner, the Rev Dr John McCulloch, in last October's *Connections*. He has the charge of St Andrews Jerusalem. His most recent Partner Plan Newsletter (in December) contains a report on a visit to Gaza



made by him and his wife.

Their first morning there they were passing a dilapidated makeshift house but were invited in by the woman and her children. The walls were bare, no furniture except very thin mattresses, a roof of corrugated iron which is very hot in the summer and very cold in the winter, there was a sack of flour from UNWRA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East), and the father of the house had an air of desperation and hopelessness about him, with no prospect of work or providing for his children. This gives a picture of about 80% of the Gazan population who are reliant on food aid with little prospects for work. Their fishing waters are polluted because there is insufficient electricity

to run the sewage works, and there is risk of disease from eating fish from these waters.

As part of their trip they visited the primary care clinics, run by NECC (Near East Council of Churches) in Gaza City and Rafah, where staff work at

grassroots level with families, most of them in abject poverty. UNWRA have cut funds to these recently (the US cut funding to UNWRA) which has led to a shortfall in salaries and supplies. NECC carried out a door to door survey in Rafah to assess

**“We are not to simply bandage the wounds of victims beneath the wheels of injustice, we are to drive a spoke into the wheel itself.”
Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

the health of children and found that 50% of all children are anaemic due to malnutrition and 10% are stunted and will never reach their intellectual or physical potential. In addition they are susceptible to the risk of disease. The clinic provides vitamin and iron supplements as

well as giving education and support.

They also visited the Arab Ahliu Hospital which offers “to serve all who seek treatment without prejudice and in a spirit of love. During the 2014 war on Gaza, most hospitals closed their clinics because

of security. However, Arab Ahli saw 9,000 patients in 51 days and were open day and night for all emergencies” as well as opening a ward as a shelter for families whose homes had been bombed. This with only 20 doctors is remarkable. The hospital is severely under threat financially, again due to UNWRA cuts.

Breast Cancer is a terrible sentence for women of Gaza due to cultural issues, and the hospital’s work to get early diagnosis of it is essential to avoid invasive treatment which can lead to divorce and destitution, as well as early death. It also has a training department where many surgeons, who cannot leave Gaza to practise their surgical skills, can do so here under expert supervision. The number of Christians in Gaza is be-

lieved to be about 1,000 out of a population of just over 2 million. Again in the 2014 war, “the neighbourhoods surrounding both the Catholic and Greek Orthodox churches were bombed, and the churches opened their doors to thousands who were fleeing from the destruction in the hope that they would be safe in the churches. Muslim families flocked to find refuge in the church, and were warmly welcomed”. John concludes by saying “Thank you for your ongoing prayers, both for the people of Gaza and for the work of the Church of Scotland in the Holy Land. Despite all the challenges and difficulties, it is important that we continue to walk alongside those who live here, hoping beyond hope, even in a context such as Gaza.”

Pam Jack

The Guild

In the past year the Guild have enjoyed extremely interesting and challenging speakers, the themes ranged from music to Palliative Care by way of the Antarctic!

Now we are planning an equally interesting syllabus for next session.

Our popular Coffee Mornings will be running through the summer months – watch out for a notice in the Hub. Come along and join us for coffee or tea and home baking.



Edith Armit

The Friendship Club

The Friendship Club are looking forward to a splendid outing on **8th May**... an exceptional afternoon tea at Bruntsfield Golf Club. After that we hope to enjoy a glorious summer (this bit is wishful thinking, but might just happen – we are optimists!). Then we look forward to meeting again next session for friendly chat and excellent speakers.

Val Smart

Have you looked at the
Greenbank website recently?
www.greenbankchurch.org

Flower Rota

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April

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| 7 | Rona Sommerville | Charlotte Tucker |
| 14 | Janet Walker | Margaret Mack |
| 21 | Wedding | Fiona Watt |
| 28 | Moira Davidson | Sarah Crawford |

May

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| 5 | Caroline Kehoe | Catherine Ferguson |
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To make contact with any organisation featured in Greenbank Connections, please use the telephone number or email address given, if there is one. Otherwise contact the Church Office.

Website: www.greenbankchurch.org

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Material for the May issue of Greenbank Connections should be delivered to the Church Office or to the Editors' pigeon-hole in the Main Hall by Sunday 14th April or sent by e-mail by 9am on Tuesday 16th April to

greenbankconnections@gmail.com

Welcome Teams

April

- 7 **Keith Winton**, Richard Dunbar, Clifford Hastings, Chris Horne, Doris Laing, Enid Mowat, Robin Nimmo
- 14 **John Ritchie**, Susan Inch, Gill Sweetman, Ian Thomson, Susan Jackman, Clare Campbell, Catherine Cameron, Ishbel Emery
- 21 **Alan Armit**, Edith Armit, Louise Coghil, Hugh Cowan, Susan Black, Malcolm Watters, Nora Kellock, Elizabeth Mackay
- 28 **Ian Thom**, Keith Clark, Ray Dely, Catherine Hardie, Elizabeth Htet-Khin, Anne Oxbrow, Isobel Thom, Charles Black, Kay Ellis, David Gourlay

May

- 5 **Donald King**, Brian Barron, Walter Crosby, Donald MacLeod, Roderick Morrison, Mairi Stevenson, Jim Young, Kathryn Sangster

Coffee Rota

April

- 7 BAGs
- 14 Katy & Lennie Maguire (D19 & 20)
- 21 Donald MacLeod (D46)
- 28 Caroline Kehoe (D70)

May

- 5 Rachel McWilliam (D58)



Greenbank Calendar: April 2019

April

3 Wed	13.00	Midweek Prayers
4 Thurs	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
	14.00	Community Bible Experience*
	19.30	Choir Practice
5 Fri		Pre-School end of term
	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
6 Sat	10.00–16.00	Lenten Quiet Day*
7 Sun	9.30	First Sunday Service
	10.30	Morning Worship
	18.00	Deepening Commitment*
	19.00	QII
10 Wed	13.00	Midweek Prayers
11 Thurs	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
	19.30	Choir Practice
12 Fri	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
		Pre School End of Term
13 Sat	9.30	Scout Jumble Sale
14 Sun		Palm Sunday
	10.30	Morning Worship
	18.00	Deepening Commitment*
	19.00	QII
15 Mon – 20 Sat		Holy Week
		<i>Joint Services at Morningside Parish Church</i>
15 Mon – 17 Wed		Reflective evening worship
	19.30	
17 Wed	13.00	No Midweek Prayers
18 Thurs		Maundy Thursday
	19.30	Communion
19 Fri		Good Friday
	12.00–15.00	“The Three Hours” with Bishop Richard Holloway
	19.30	Evening Service with Joint Choirs
20 Sat		Holy Saturday
	19.30	Readings and music
21 Sun		Easter Sunday
	5.30	Dawn Service with Baptism
	9.30	Easter Communion (Braid Room)
	10.30	All Age Easter Celebration followed by Egg Rolling

23 Tues		Pre School Start of Term
24 Wed	13.00	Midweek Prayers
25 Thurs	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
	19.30	Choir Practice
26 Fri	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
28 Sun	10.30	Confirmation / Profession of Faith
	19.00	QII
29 Mon	19.30	Bible Study Group
30 Tues	19.30	Kirk Session

May

1 Wed	13.00	Midweek Prayers
2 Thurs	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
	19.30	Choir Practice
3 Fri	9.45	Babies and Toddlers
5 Sun		Stewardship Sunday
	9.30	First Sunday Service
	10.30	Morning Worship
	19.00	QII

* For details, see the leaflet *Explore Faith and Life at Greenbank (Spring 2019)*.

Crèche for children under 3 in the Hermitage Room at every 10.30 Service

Congregational Register

Omitted from the online version of Connections



Scouts @ Greenbank

Be Prepared for probably "the best

JUMBLE Sale

... in Edinburgh"

Saturday 13th April 2019: 9.30am to 12 noon
Greenbank Church, Braidburn Terrace, EH10 6ES

4th Braid Scout Group is registered as a Charity number SCO15021

Adults £2

Holy Corner Book Sale for Christian Aid



Saturday 11th to Saturday 18th May

The sale takes place during Christian Aid Week in Morningside United Church, at the corner of Chamberlain Road.

Last year, thousands of books were sold and over £15,000 was raised.

You can help in the following ways:

- Donate books – please get in touch with me and I will collect them from you.
- Volunteer to help – there is a rota of 3-hour shifts. It's interesting and fun and the organisers are always needing new volunteers. Contact holycornerbooksale@gmail.com
- Visit the sale and buy some books. There is also a café on both Saturdays.

Fiona Watt (Email fiona.watt@blueyonder.co.uk)

More information at www.holycornerbooksale.wordpress.com