

Auchterderran Kinglassie Church

PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care committee meet regularly to discuss any business that may arise.

There is now a list of people in the foyer who will be available Sunday by Sunday if you need to pass on any information that you would like dealt with. The relevant person will also be mentioned in the Order of Service. If you or a family member need a stay in hospital, there is also a card available for you to keep so that when you are admitted to hospital, you can pass this on to hospital staff who will then let the Session Clerk know so that you can receive a visit from the minister or a pastoral care member during your stay in hospital. These are available from any Pastoral Care Member. Keep one in your pocket or handbag just in case.

The storybook bags are now completed and we hope to distribute them in February.

Please let Helen Arnott know of any bereavement or special occasion so that she can send a card.

Maureen Shields is the person to contact for cards for babies or a child's birthday.

Elizabeth Mitchell or Martha Arnott are available to carry out any Pastoral Care duties in Kinglassie Church Building.

The storybook bags are also available in Kinglassie Church Building. Elizabeth Mitchell or Martha Arnott are dealing with these.

Sarah Murdoch.

FLOWER COMMITTEE :

I hope everyone had a quiet, peaceful Christmas and New Year. So far the winter has been pretty mild with only a few bad days; let's hope it continues.

As always at this time of year if your flower dates aren't quite in the right place let me know and I will rectify it.

As always a big thank you to all who donate money so generously and to the folk who donate Sunday by Sunday, it is very much appreciated.

MARCH – MRS. McDONALD / MS. ROLLO

5th – Mrs. Peacock 12th – Mrs. Whyte
19th – Mrs. Pate/Mrs. Wilson
26th Mrs. Arnott

APRIL – MRS. PATE/MRS. WHYTE

2nd – Cruickshank family/Mrs. Garvie 9th – Mrs. Martin
16th (Easter) Mrs. Fleming/B. Penman/F. Wilson 23rd – E. Innes 30th - Mrs. M. Fleming

MAY – MRS MERCER

7th – Mrs. Gabellone 14th – E. Beveridge/
Mrs. Galloway/Mrs. Chrisp (721794) 21st – Mrs. Chatham
28th – (Communion) – Cruickshank family

Prayer

How do we go about keeping close to god? We do it by prayers one way. There are many definitions of prayer,

here is one.

Prayer is in co-operation with God. In prayer you align your desires, your will and your life to God.

(Every day with Jesus—A new perspective)

I read this and thought I would like to share it with you.

March (prayer promoter)

You'd like to see my garden ?
You may – but nothing's there,
For all's so dull and dreary
This dismal time of year.
So please excuse its bleakness –
But wait, what's that you see....?
A little clump of snowdrops ?
Green buds upon that tree ?
But nothing else worth seeing;
Oh, how this winter grieves....
But something else you've noticed ?
Green shoots beneath dead leaves ?
And yellow stars of Jasmine ?
And pussy willows too ?
Some cyclamens half hidden,
Yet growing straight and true ?
I'm glad you came a-calling,
And noticed every nook,
Yes, life is full of wonders –
We only have to look.
Sarah Murdoch.

Guild

Guild are having a Quiz night fund raiser
20th February in Auchterderran Church Hall
at 7pm. All welcome. Teams of 6

March 6th a Make up demonstration by Susan Bruce of Debenham's again at 7pm all welcome.

Sale of Work is March 18th at 2pm in the hall

World day of prayer is Friday 3rd March at 7pm in the Church Hall as always all Welcome

Think that is all

Regards

Nannette Hamilton Secretary

Choir

The Choir were kept busy over the Christmas period singing at various venues and in the Church.

Our Christmas concert in Church went well and we hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

We then had the Burns night in January which again was enjoyed by everyone.

We are practising at the moment for an " engagement ". We have been asked to perform in March at Luthrie Village Hall and are all looking forward to that.

If you would like to join us please do not hesitate to come on a Tuesday at 7pm. You will be made most welcome.

Our meditation service is the last Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to come. We have the meditation for about an hour or so,

break for a cup of tea, and anyone can then choose a hymn they like to sing. It is a very enjoyable and happy evening

Life And Work

If you are a reader of Life & Work then you will have seen our advert in a previous edition, as the search for a new minister goes on. It may be hopefully that soon we will get a response and soon have a new person in place. We have to face the fact that there are a lot more vacancies than there are ministers to fill them and our wait might be a long one. We simply have to be patient and trust that in due course God will send the right person to us. In the meantime we are fortunate indeed to have Tilly as our locus minister. She says she is enjoying her time with us and I'm sure she is, but I have a feeling that she would enjoy even more putting her feet up and taking a well earned rest!

Book To Ponder Over

“To Be A Pilgrim”

By Peter Morden and Ruth Broomhall

Over 40 days follow the truly amazing and inspirational journey for yourself and discover truths about sin, salvation, direction and freedom in Christ.

With a daily passage from “the Pilgrims Progress”, relevant Bible verses and reflections. See how this classic tale can connect with gods story and your life.

Price £4.99 www.CWR.org.uk/store or call 01252 784700

Notices Found in The Hospital Gym

It is easier to maintain good health than it is to recover it.—Its never too late to begin—If exercise could be purchased in a pill, It would be the simple most widely prescribed and beneficial medicine in the world.

You don't stop playing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop playing.

A patient is the most important visitor on our premises. He is not dependant on us. We are dependant on him. He is not an interruption in our work. He is the purpose of it. He is not the outsider in our business. He is a part of it. We are not doing him a favour to save him. He is doing us a favour by giving us the opportunity to do so. (Gandhi)

M Porterfield.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

The Ministry of flowers is an important part of the Sunday Service at Auchterderran Kinglassie Church. Flowers beautify the sacred spaces of our church, and are a gift to God and those who attend the services.

Flowers can be dedicated to commemorate a special event or to remember a loved one. Donated flowers may also be taken to home-bound parishioners after the Sunday Services. Thanks to all who contribute.

God's Garden

The Flowers that grow in God's Garden
Are perfect beyond compare,
For they grow completely unhindered
As no weeds are ever found there.

The Garden is always so peaceful
Clothed in a vapour of love,
And adorned in a golden mantle
Befitting of Heaven above.

As we gaze on the Flowers in their glory
And gently their fragrance is spread,
We slowly lose sight of the Garden
And see the Master instead.

Alpha Course

All of us who attended the Alpha Course, held last year, found it a very worthwhile and uplifting experience. We may run another course this year and I would encourage anyone who is curious about the Christian faith, or wants to deepen their Christian life, to make every effort to attend.

Gordon Mitchell (Deputy Session Clerk)

MONDAY CLUB

I have changed the Monday Club to a Friday Club as the children who attended had after school clubs on a Monday. Lace in the Mitchell Hall in Kinglassie. With this change I hope that more children may be able to attend. I intend to begin on Friday 24th February 2017 after school from 3.30 to 4.30 pm. There will be the usual Bible stories, lessons and games and all children from the age of 3 upwards will be made very welcome. Hope to see as many as possible as we approach the Easter Festival.

Elizabeth Mitchell

Inspirational quotes

I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination. Jimmy Dean

Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world. Malala Yousafzai

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. John F. Kennedy

My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style. Maya Angelou

Friends show their love in times of trouble, not in happiness. Euripides

The only way to have a friend is to be one. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dust If You Must

by Rose Milligan

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better
To paint a picture, or write a letter,
Bake a cake, or plant a seed;
Ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time,
With rivers to swim, and mountains to climb;
Music to hear, and books to read;
Friends to cherish, and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there
With the sun in your eyes, and the wind in your hair;
A flutter of snow, a shower of rain,
This day will not come around again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind,
Old age will come and it's not kind.

