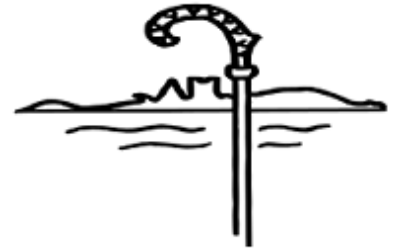


# News from St. Fillan's

## March 2022



**Good News** Services are returning to normal, everybody is welcome, there is no need to book. Face masks are still required and it is suggested that you take a lateral flow test before attending. There may be a lifting of restrictions soon. **Peter, our minister** has been signed off sick again, he will be off for at least the next four weeks.

**Communion** will be on Sunday 20th March and will be conducted by Rev David Coulter the 'new' Fife Presbytery Clerk. On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March the service will be conducted by Alan Monk who during Peter's absence has been appointed our **Interim Moderator** – you can contact him on 01383 851283 or alanmonk36@gmail.com.

Our Lenten appeal is for the **Aberdour Refugee Resettlement and Support Group**. The group is working with the Home Office to offer a place for a refugee family. Last week there was an additional collection for the **Disasters Emergency Committee Ukraine** appeal. You can give to these by placing an envelope in the church box in the Pharmacy.

During the current war in **Ukraine** the church is open after the Sunday Service until 2pm for private prayer.

As you know the Church of Scotland has plans to reduce the number of ministries/buildings. We are awaiting the results from the **Building Audit**. There have been **Cluster/ Area/ Grouping Conversations** with Dalgety, Inverkeithing, North Queensferry and Rosyth churches. The discussions have been positive and it is proposed that there will be a team ministry with a single Kirk Session. The plan will be approved before the end of the year. This could give exciting opportunities but the transition will need to be undertaken with sensitivity and care. There will still be a worshipping congregation in each of the five areas.

It is good to see the church hall being used once again, there are plans for a **Christian Aid Coffee Morning** on 28<sup>th</sup> May.

Currently we do not have details of the **Holy Week** and **Easter** services, please continue to visit the website for more information and news. There will be an online **Songs of Praise** on Easter Sunday – let me know if you want to suggest a hymn. As we are returning to normal, the **online services** have stopped, for those at home the **sound recording** could be provided as before on USB stick or available online – do you have any thoughts.

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