

News from St. Fillan's

October 2021



Good news - as you may know Peter was off sick, he is now back working full time.

Communion will be on Sunday 17th October and the retiring collection will be **Fife Voluntary Action-Afghan Refugee Appeal**. Face masks will be required, booking is recommended, other Covid rules will be followed. The last Communion service was in February 2021, and the last 'normal' service in Church in March 2020, was a Communion service!

At the **Harvest Festival** Service on Sunday 26th September there was a cash only collection for the **Dunfermline Foodbank**, £750.50 plus £62.50 gift aid was raised.

Susan Morton reminds us that **used stamps** are still being collected for the Church of Scotland World Mission Appeal. This year's appeal is on behalf of the Women's Development Centre in Kandahar, Sri Lanka. Stamps can be left in the basket to the right of the entrance into St Fillan's Church or put through her letter box at 4 Manse Street.

We are having discussions with **Fife Presbytery** on reducing the number of ministries/buildings. The Kirk Session/Elders have submitted their thoughts. The next stage is that there will now be a **Building Review** and **Cluster/ Area/ Grouping Conversation**. Each Cluster/Area/Group has been appointed a Cluster Facilitator (in our case Rev Alan Kimmitt from St Columba's in Glenrothes). We do not know what cluster/area/grouping we will be in, it is all new to us but will become clearer as the process proceeds. By summer 2022 we should know what is happening.

There will be a service of **Remembrance** at the Church Hall on Sunday 14th November at 10:15 booking is essential (last year people were turned away) and at 11am at the War Memorial. There will also be a short service on the 11th at the War Memorial at 11am – remember social distancing.

Sunday morning services are taking place at St. Fillan's. All are welcome but booking in advance is suggested. We can now sing in church – but wearing masks – it presents a challenge!

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