

NEWSLETTER

ST. FILLAN'S

PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

10.30 Sept – May
10.0 June – August

Evening service in church
6.30PM – 1st Sunday each month

Church Newsletter Committee

Collette Adam
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Marriages

Jun 16 Neil Tomlinson and Pauline Weir
Jul 7 Alan Brown and Lucy Bennett
Aug 24 Gillian Barnard and Peter Filser
Aug 25 Ian Paltiel and Lisa Thomson
Sep 1 Martin Willcocks and Mandy Cook
Sep 7 David Bald and Sandra Whatling

God is love, and those who live in love live in God, and God lives in them

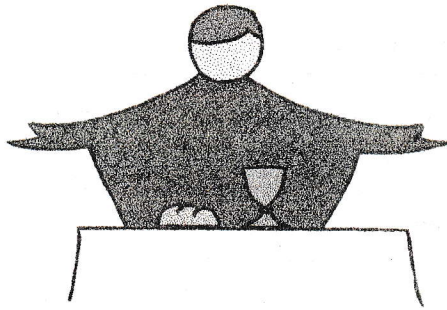
Bereavements

Aug 6 Mrs. Helen Burrill
Aug 24 Mrs. Janet Drumm

Things beyond our seeing, things beyond our hearing, things beyond our imagining have all been prepared by God for those who love Him Corinthians 2:9

Removal by certificate

Mr. H Allen & Mrs. K. Allen Scottish Episcopal Church
Mr. B Gray
Fiona Rennie to Edinburgh
We wish our friends every blessing as they move to another spiritual home



An invitation to the Lord's Table

Sacrament of Communion

Sunday 21st October

10.30 AM and 3.00PM

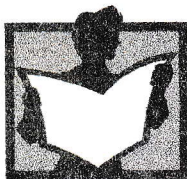
For everyone who loves the Lord

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Sunday 14th October 2001

The Primary school service is on Friday 12th October

Details later in the newsletter



Wanted – an editor for our quarterly newsletter

The minister has put this edition together but we are seeking someone to take on

the important task of editing and collating our newsletter

If you would like to help please speak with the minister

Church Sale of Work
Saturday 17th November
Details on back page

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Dear Friends – the certainty of faith

How can Christians respond to the aftermath of uncertainty and fear which the world is experiencing as a result of the recent terrorist attacks in America?

This was the subject of my sermon on Sunday 23rd September, preached against the background of belief and knowledge that Christians want to be involved in advancing Christ's Kingdom and encouraging people to follow the ways of God. In times like the present Christians have an increased awareness that on our own we are so limited, but with God's help we can overcome difficulties and help others to do likewise. I suggested various ways in which we could all get involved and contribute towards the healing of a bruised and hurting world.

Many in church that day have said how helpful the sermon was in helping focus their thoughts and I am taking the unusual (for me) step of producing the gist of it here. I do not write out sermons in full and know that generally speaking orally delivered sermons make poor reading (and mine is not the exception to the rule) – however I offer it in bullet point format (and with a few scripture references for further reading) for your reflection. If anyone would like me to discuss or elaborate my thoughts with them please let me know.

I suggest 4 areas of focus

Firstly and as a priority each of us should affirm our own faith and belief in that whatever an evil world throws at us we are secure in God's eternal kingdom both in the short and long term

- Remind ourselves of the great promises of faith stretching back into creation (Genesis 1), the promises made some 4000 years ago by God to Abraham and his descendents (Genesis 17:6) and the looking forward into the eternity of Heaven where God ultimately cares for and protects God's people (Rev7: 15-17)
- Take comfort from the knowledge that God promises to look after us in the present in our times of trouble (Nahum 1:7, Psalm 46) and promises to be our refuge in this troubled world.
- Remind ourselves of Jesus' words to Martha, when he raised Lazarus from the dead - "I am the resurrection and the life, He who believes in me will live even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die" (John 11:25).
- Jesus then asked Martha "do you believe me" and this question is most relevant to everyone who is a follower of Jesus. Each of us needs to answer this question for ourselves and this is a time to search our souls and decide whether or not we really believe in the Lord's promises
- Ask ourselves whether we share the belief of the writer of the letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 11:1) – "Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not fear"

We should then use the comfort of our faith to comfort others

- In troubled times many people turn to the Christian community for help and we do well to remember Paul's words of encouragement to some early Christians. Paul tells us that "People of faith who are themselves comforted by God are well placed to comfort others in their sorrow" (2 Corinthians 1: 1-7)
- Although we want to help others recognize that we may find ourselves in situations where we struggle to find the right words – but don't worry about that because God will give us the words (Ephesians 6:19). There are however times when words are secondary to just being with someone in their time of need. Being able to share Christian love is so so important and should never be underestimated

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We should support our Government and others fighting against terrorism

- No one in civilized society wants to initiate war. We know that in wars people are killed and countries can be devastated. God's will is that people should live in peace. The psalmist laments war (Psalm 46) and prophets look for a day when wars will cease (Isaiah 11 1-9, Micah 4: 1-5).
- There is however evil in the world and we are told that God abhors evil doers who wrongly claim to do evil in God's name (Matthew 7: 15-23) and will punish them
- God calls Governments to take action against evil (Romans 13: 1-5, 1 Peter 2: 13-17) and Christians should support them in their endeavours to pursue a just war defending civilized society against the evil of terrorism. In doing so we should remember our Government is defending against repetition of atrocities.
- Let us not lose sight of the fact that America, supported by many other nations, is NOT promulgating or pursuing a holy war; rather it is calling the civilized powers to unite against terrorism. If therefore we see evidence of any misguided people wrongly pursuing a 'so called "religious war"' against people in our neighbourhood we should do what we can to prevent this escalating.

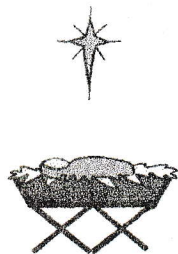
While addressing the immediate issues we should not lose sight of the fact that God wants the people of this world to live at peace

- In his first letter to Timothy (1 Timothy 2: 1-8) the apostle Paul, urges us to pray "that people everywhere could live peaceful and quiet lives in holiness and godliness". We do well to follow his exhortation.
- Paul was writing some 2000 years ago; the world he inhabited had it's problems but he believed that if people followed God's ways calm would come to troubled waters, light into darkness, and he gave his life to encouraging and facilitating people to follow God.
- Our world is considerably different from Paul's yet we, the current people of God, share his beliefs and desires. Like Paul we are called to work alongside the risen Christ to help people through difficult times and encourage them to know the love and peace of God

As I said at the beginning of this sermon/letter we are facing difficult times but we as Christians can do our bit to bring comfort locally and globally. Let us all find ways in which we can help, and to give that help in the name of Christ whose we are and whom we serve.

May the Lord bless you as you hold out the hopes and truths of your faith in these uncertain times.

Your Parish Minister
Peter Park



The Prince of Peace, Saviour of the World
whose birth we celebrate on 25th December

Having heard the sermon in my letter one of our members has sent the following prayer/meditation for us to share:

It is called Cross Purposes by Eddie Askew -.

Lord, sometimes I look around
and feel that nothing's happening for good.
That we've changed gear by accident,
and with a screech of pain, reversed creation.
Taken all you've made and turned it back to chaos.

But underneath the turmoil of our frantic world
your spirit works unseen.
A pimperl of grace and love,
unrecognized, appearing where we least expect
to offer transformation.

Beneath the seeming strange coincidence
and accidental purpose - not strange to you
and hardly accidental-
the ferment of your recreative spirit
transforms people and events
according to some loving chemistry
I can't yet comprehend.

And as I walk today
and do the tasks in front of me
keep me within your plan.
Help me to see your hand at work
And when I can't.....
give me the grace
to accept uncertainty
and live it with assurance
knowing that in chaos or creation
your hand is in control.



Church Flowers

- Would you like to come on to our flower rota for putting flowers in the church once or twice a year? We are seeking some additional help to either physically put the flowers in church (they don't need to be especially arranged – just put them in a vase) or if you would prefer to make a payment towards the cost of flowers.
- For information about dates please speak with Mrs Catherine Duncan 860611



Children and bereavement

We have a number of children's books on the subject of bereavement available for anyone who thinks they might be useful.

Please contact the minister for further information

Harvest Thanksgiving
Morning Worship Sunday 14th October 10.30
Primary School Friday 12th October 10.00

This year we are helping 2 charities

- Blythswood Shoe Box appeal -Sending gifts to Eastern Europe in time for Christmas
- *Open door Fife – a charity for adult homeless based in Dunfermline*

The Primary school will be making up shoe-boxes for children

Adults can either make up a shoe box for children or adults for Eastern Europe

OR

Contribute items that will make up home start up kits

If you want to help the shoe-box appeal

Please fill shoe boxes and mark on the outside who it is suitable for and what each contains

Boxes may include

- ❖ Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, sponge, face-cloth
 - ❖ Talc, comb, toiletries Small toys
 - ❖ Pen, pencil; notebook, rubber, crayons
 - ❖ Socks, gloves, hats, scarves
- ❖ Sweets (not chocolate because it melts) or raisins
 - ❖ Tinned food, powdered milk, rice, biscuits
(sell by dates later than March 2002 please)
 - ❖ Baby clothes

Please label all boxes clearly on the outside with

❖ *Who contents are for*
 (man or woman, teenager (age and sex), child (age and sex) babies

❖ *What the contents are*

This is a customs requirement

If you would prefer to help local homeless people

Please bring along any of the following

Toiletries of any kind

Washing up liquid, soap powder, toilet cleaner

Tea, coffee, sugar

Pot scourers, washing up cloths, tea towels

These will be made up by the charity into start up kits

We will have a retiring collection on Sunday 14th Oct for Open Door Fife



Changes in our Kirk Session

Some of our members are retiring from Session and we also have some additions.

Firstly a thank you to our outgoing members; Marnie Rennie, Bunny Gray, Hugh Hanlon, Bill McRae and Alex Stirling who have given many years service to the Church of Scotland and we say thank you for their contribution.

We also give a warm welcome to Wallace Cowan and June Weatherup, who were ordained as Elders on Sunday 30th September.

As a result of these changes there will be some alterations to Elder's districts and District Elders will inform members affected by this.



May we have your used stamps please?

The Church of Scotland Board of World Mission collect and sell used stamps to further their work abroad.

If you would like to help this project please give your used stamps to Mrs Helen Hannay, 10 Telny Place, or hand them in at the church door any Sunday.



St Fillan's Lunches

First Thursday each month

4th October, 1st November, 6th December,
12 – 1.30 PM In the church Hall

Everyone welcome to join us

soup and filled rolls £1.50



Christian Aid sponsored golf 4th – 8th June. Aberdour and Dalgety

The annual sponsored golf competition between the golfers of St Fillan's and Dalgety parish churches took place over Aberdour golf course in the first week of June when one hundred and nine golfers took part.

The scoring was very high this year and the result was always in doubt until the last players came in on the Friday evening, when for the sixth year in succession St Fillan's won the David Rutherford Trophy by the narrow margin of 239 points to 238. We have still to equal Dalgety's record of 8 wins in a row from 1982-1989.

The winning St Fillan's team was made up of Elizabeth Wood who won the St Fillan's cup, Dorothy Cuthill, Tom McNab, Willie McKay, Jim Thomson and Rosemary Scott.

Marjorie Clark, area organiser for Christian Aid, presented the prizes and the sum of £2278 was raised (£1072 by St Fillan's and £1206 by Dalgety) for charity. The money was divided between Christian Aid and the Macmillan Fife Appeal.

Our thanks go to Aberdour Golf Club for allowing us the courtesy of the course and to all the golfers and their sponsors



Alaskan Childrens' Chorus – Concert in Church

Those of us who attended the concert by the group were privileged to be part of a memorable evening that will remain in our memories for a long time.

A number of our village families played hosts and provided meals, as a result of which many friendships were made. Some of our members are now corresponding regularly with the Alaskans and it is good that friendships are made and sustained.

Following the recent terrorist attacks in America I know that many from Aberdour were in touch with their Alaskan friends. The following e-mails (names of sender and recipient omitted) were exchanged and demonstrate the love and caring from our community – and the warmth in which that love was received.

From Aberdour

Dear

Just a word or two to let you know that you and all your fellow Americans are in our thoughts and prayers. There simply aren't words adequate to describe the magnitude and horror of what your people are suffering. Peter Park our Minister led meditations tonight in St Fillans for all those touched by the tragedy and you and all the other fine people we met in July were held up to God in prayer. Its all we here can do.

God bless you.

Love from

And the Alaskan response

Dear ,

We just wanted to let you know how much your message meant to us. Our whole community and state are still in shock. It is so hard to comprehend what has happened. Our children want to try to understand how anyone could cause so much hurt and tragedy, and it is very hard to try to explain something that we cannot understand ourselves. It is wonderful to receive support from our friends in Scotland, though, and know that you are thinking of us!

This event has really pulled the American people together. We saw the most wonderful display tonight. You know that there were over 200 firefighters missing in New York after the attack. Tonight when our family was driving down one of the main streets in Anchorage, we saw a large fire truck that was parked on the side of the road. From the top of their raised crane was draped a large American flag. Lined up and down both sides of the street were firefighters and police officers, joined by their families and friends waving American flags to the greetings and honking of all the cars passing by. The firefighters were stopping cars to get donations to send to the families of the missing firefighters in New York. It was a very touching scene, and one that made us remember why we are proud to be Americans!

Tell everyone at St. Fillan's that we appreciate their prayers.

Love to Your Family.....



Aberdour Girl Guides

Would you be interested in becoming a unit helper?

You need to be between 18 and 65, male or female, and able and willing to come along regularly on a Tuesday night

If interested please speak with Jenny Adams on 860753

Queen Margaret Hospital

Are seeking some volunteers to provide some therapeutic entertainment' of an artistic nature in the hospital wards.

They are looking for musicians, jugglers, magicians, drama, clowns and so on who would be prepared to go round some of the wards entertaining the patients.

If you think you could help please speak with our minister or phone Jane Roxburgh, 01383 852677

Christian Support network for abused women

A Scotland-wide network of female volunteers – 'persons of trust' is being set up from 1st October to help women who suffer violence or abuse, particularly if a religious context is involved.

The network support line is 01738 860995

Further information on this service is available from our minister



We still seek a beadle



or three

We are seeking someone (male or female) to help with all or some of the duties of Church Officer.

Some might say that the perfect beadle has the perception of an angel, the patience of a saint and stars at everything they do. This may be the case (and/or indeed something to aspire to) but the more basic job requirements are a desire to serve the Lord in this important and necessary job and a love for St Fillan's.

There are three main areas to cover but these do not all need to be done by the same person and job sharing may be an option.

Sunday duties such as preparing the church, ringing the bell, bringing in the Bible.

Additional church services such as funerals and weddings

Opening and closing the Church each day

Terms and conditions to be discussed and agreed depending on how much of the duties applicants can take on

If you are interested in this (or know of someone who might be) please speak with Ewart McSkimming, David Hannah or the minister



Sunday Morning Scripture Readings

The following are the planned lectionary passages for the next 2 months.

If you would like information on any theological or historical issues please speak with Peter Park, Parish Minister (860349)

Oct 7	Jeremiah 29: 1, 4 - 7 2 Tim 2: 8 - 15 Luke 17: 11 - 19	Nov 4	Isaiah 51: 1 - 11 Saints Day Ephesians 1: 11 - 23 Luke 6: 20 - 36
Oct 14 Harvest	Galatians 5: 16 - 25 Luke 12: 13 - 21	Nov 11 Remembrance	Micah 4: 1 - 8 2 Thess 2: 13 - 3: 5 Luke 1: 68 - 79
Oct 21 Communion	Jeremiah 31: 27 - 34 2 Tim 3: 14 - 4: 5 Luke 18: 1 - 8	Nov 18	Isaiah 65: 17 - 25 2 Thess 3: 6 - 13 Luke 21: 5 - 19
Oct 28	Joel 2: 23 - 32 2 Tim 4: 6 - 8, 16 - 18 Luke 18: 9 - 14	Nov 25	Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6 Colossians 1: 9 - 20 Luke 23: 33 - 43

New look for Kirk's best selling churchman

The late William Barclay was a prolific writer and among the many books he wrote was a series called the Daily Study Bible.

This series has now been revised, sensitively edited, discreetly updated and had archaic references removed – yet it still retains the familiar and insightful Barclay style.

The first 6 volumes, available from October 26 2001, are the gospels – Matthew volume 1 and 2, Mark, Luke and John volume 1 and 2

Presbytery of Dunfermline

our five yearly report

Each church receives a visit about once every five years from Presbytery and the visiting team meet with the Kirk Session Congregational Board and Minister.

They then prepare a report, a copy of which is pinned up on the Hall notice Board, and a copy in the hands of all office bearers. The report runs to 4 pages and is not reproduced here but its conclusion states:

The Church family at St Fillan's Aberdour is in good heart and is a necessary charge. It has in common with many other congregations the problems of our present culture, in relation to commitment and witness and is attempting to address these problems to the greater glory of God. We wish them God's blessing in their journey together

If anyone would like more information on any aspect of the report, or a personal copy thereof, please speak with the minister, any elder or Board member.

A look back into the past

Many of us often look back nostalgically at the good old days of the Kirk
 One of our elders came across this newspaper extract from 1885 when the
 local press reviewed the then new book by the parish minister.
 Readers in 2001 are invited to decide for themselves whether they would like
 the Kirk discipline of the time to be reintroduced

THE DUNFERMLINE JOURNAL, SA TURDA Y, A UGUST 8th 1885.

A review of the recently published book by Rev. W Ross, LL.D,
 Aberdour.

ABERDOUR AND INCHCOLM

From the time of the Reformation a triad of services was held on the Sundays. At eight o'clock the church ball summoned the people to hear the Bible read by the Reader. At ten it rang again for reading and prayer~ and the regular service for~ devotional exercises and preaching began after the third ringing at eleven. Great ignorance was abroad; Bibles were scarce and costly to such a degree that "the purchase of a pulpit Bible was sometimes a work that demanded careful attention. Thus in 1668 it is recorded that the Kirk—Session of Aberdour have several times before been thinking of—how they may attain a Kirk -Bible. To secure this end they resolved on making a collection at the Kirk door, in basins, by Hugh Abercrombie, Robert Roch, and John Mckie. This collection amounted to £19 Scots. Hugh Abercrombie was appointed to make the purchase, which probably entailed a voyage across the Firth; and having secured the desired Kirk Bible for £18. 18s, the session returned him very many thanks for his diligence”.

Those who absented themselves from public worship or behaved riotously were looked after by the elders appointed to this very necessary duty. We read, for instance, of Henry Tyrie being summoned before his bet tars on August 21st, 1649. The said Henry compears, and, being challenged for his not coming to the Kirk, is found guilty. Therefore, being his first fault, the Session has only admonished him not to do the like; and, if he be ever found in the like, to be punished exemplarily. Again, 'John and William Matson in visiting the town found that John Forfair and his wife were drinking in James Orock's. In June 1650 three men were "summoned before the Session for going out of the church during service, and were admonished not to do the like again." Another two were censured for- going up and down the walk during divine service" In 1652 four worthies for "making din in the church In the time of divine service" were ordered "to sit down on their knees and crave God mercy far their fault;" and it was ordained further that "if ever found in the like, they will be set In the joggers and banished the town."

These elders certainly led no idle life. Each had his special district to supervise, and was expected to see that the inhabitants attended church and to note such as swore, drank, fought "flytet", and so on. Hence we read that "the Session ordains Walter Flooker's wife arid Christine Ritchies mother to be summoned for drinking during the time of divine service." Janet Taylor on being brought to trial admits she was the worse of drink, but ingeniously pleads that, not being accustomed to it, "a little ran in her head." Hugh Ba.ilzie (once an elder alas) must have been what Artemus Ward called "a festive cuss". He got a word" from the minister regarding some disturbance In his hostelry at Easter Aberdour, and a hint that his office .will be taken from him if there is no amendment. He promises better things; but rumour soon rises up that his servants have actually brought up a pipe of wine from the Whitesands an a Sunday morning!

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How can an elder explain this awful descretion ? How can he hold his head up again ? His excuse is that if the wine had lain all day "beeking in the sun it would have spoiled; and this appealed so strongly to the hearts of his judges that they dismissed the case with a slight admonition. A short time after, Hugh is once wore in a fix~ The Session had collected materials for building a school; and, as Hugh had sane building of his own just then, he helps himself to some of the stones and lime, in spite of the remonstrances of some of his fellow—members, intending of course to repay what he may use~ Again he appears ere he is relieved of the responsibilities of his eldership; for we read that at a meeting of Session the minister sternly asks those present if they are aware that one of their number was lately ~so drunk that he was unable to find his way home without assistance. None of them had heard of such a shameful thing; their eyes instinctively turn In the direction of Hugh, who~ being interrogated~ confesses his guilt with sorrow, is fined 40s, and on his knees craves "God mercy for the said vice and for being an ill example to others

In some cases the surveillance on the part of the elders over the erring and disobedient was not fully appreciated by those who were subjected to it. Robert Young, for example, was summoned several times for keeping his mill going on Sundays; and, exasperated beyond measure by this continual interference, he gives vent to his feeling of indignation by exclaiming that "it was never a good world since there was so many Sessions." Even a worm, as we know, will turn; but Robert did not reap much advantage by so expressing himself, for he was again brought before his betters and 'rebuked sharply," because he had thus spoken of those who were anxious and determined to guide him Into the right path and to see that he did not stray therefrom.

John Loch tie was another character who caused much trouble to his spiritual overseers. His supreme pleasure in life was to surround himself with some cronies, drink himself "fou", and insist on his example being followed. His fame rested on foundations so firm that if it were reported that John was In a certain district, everybody knew, without asking, that a glorious carousel was in progress. He is made to stand before the pulpit to confess his failing, has to find security to the extent of £10, and is plainly told that, if in the same condition again, he will be banished from the town. A few months pass and John is not as he should be; so two of the elders are sent "to the browsters to discharge them selling him any ale, except small drink; which they agree to." Six years after, he engages "not to drink ail of any kind for the space of a year."

*Editor's note : for further insight into these times why not read the book for yourself
Copy available on loan if required from the minister*

***Some misprints from other Church newsletters
(names and places omitted)***

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus walks on the water', The sermon tonight ' Searching for Jesus'

ST.FILLAN'S NEEDS A NEW ROOF---CAN YOU HELP?

The roof of the church was replaced in 1926 and covered with tiles of Caithness slate. We have known for some years that these tiles needed to be replaced and with this in mind we took the advice of an architect with experience of ancient buildings and initiated Phase 1 of the church renovation scheme. This included the repair of the belfry, re-pointing the West gable and re-roofing the porch with second-hand Caithness tiles (we used old tiles to preserve the 'authentic look')

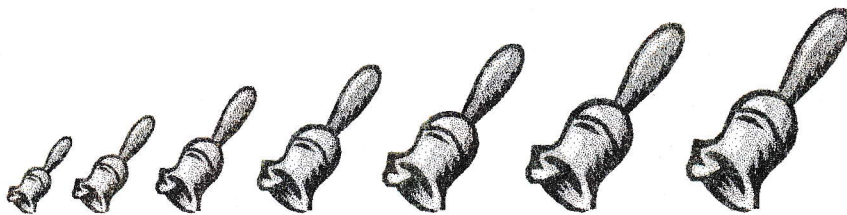
Experience gained from this showed that few of the old tiles could be re-used and as a result of this we are looking at a bill in the region of £125,000 for re-roofing our church and completing the external re-pointing of the church walls! We expect to start the next building phase in about 2/3 years time once we have raised the necessary funding.

We shall of course be eligible for grants towards the cost of this work and are endeavouring to maximise the grants we can receive but we will still be expected to raise a substantial amount ourselves towards this work.

Our funding strategy is to explore grant funding in the first instance then raise the balance locally. In due course we will be considering various fund raising events and would appreciate the ongoing support of the village as and when events are arranged. In the short term however some may wish to make a donation (or if you prefer, a pledge to make a donation pending clarification of grant funding) and any offers of financial help at this stage would be greatly appreciated. We have opened a Church Renovation Fund and any donations should be sent to our Treasurer Simon Fraser at 55 High Street Aberdour. We would like to get on with the re-roofing sooner rather than later but cannot proceed until funding is in place.

If you want to know more about what we are doing speak to the Minister or any office bearer or better still come along to St.Fillan's on a Sunday and see for yourself.

Ewart McSkimming
Finance Convener



Open days for handbell ringing

Sundays 7th October and 4th November

2.30-4 pm

Church Hall

If you would like to try your hand (or hands) at bell ringing why not come along on one of these days and have a go

If you can count to 4 we can teach you how to play bells

– no musical experience is required

Further information available from the minister



Remembrance Day Service

Sunday 11th November

10.00 AM

Church Hall

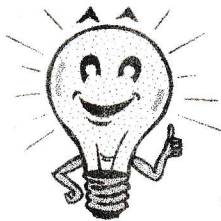
Followed by Short service of Remembrance

10.55AM

War Memorial



**If you are unable to attend the Sacrament of Communion in Church
And would like Communion in your own home
Please speak with the minister or any of our elders**



Thanks to all who have provided articles for this newsletter

If you have an article you would like included or any suggestions as to what else you would like to see in the newsletter please speak with any of the committee – names on inside of front page



If you want a pastoral visit

Occasionally we hear of people disappointed not to receive a visit from the pastoral group or minister when they would have liked one.

A gentle reminder that hospitals do not inform churches when members are admitted and that the grapevine doesn't always work in letting myself or the pastoral group know of problems.

If you especially want a visit for yourself or someone else please tell the minister, your elder, or our pastoral convener – don't hope or assume that someone else will. That way we will

know of the situation and ensure that someone does visit.

St. Filian's Aberdour Sale of Work

Saturday 17th November at 2.00.

Church Hall

■ Something for everyone

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■ Children's Corner Face

painting and caricatures

and much much more.

■ Bric a Brac

■ Arts and Crafts

■ Cake and Candy

■ Gifts and Handiwork

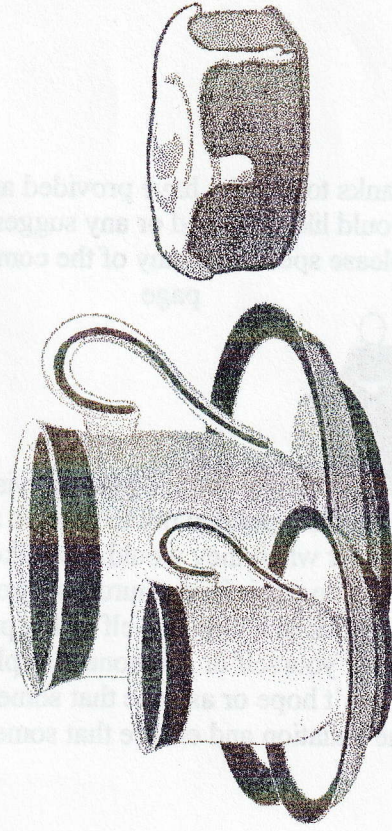
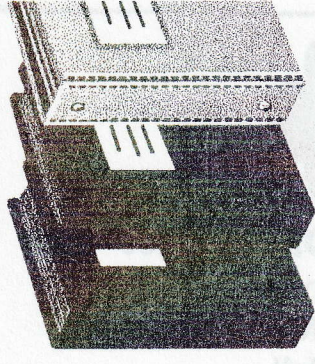
■ Plants and Produce

■ Books/Video and Tapes

■ Bottle Stall

■ Entry fee £1.00 which

includes tea and cakes.



Note this date in your diary and bring along your family and friends you may just find that little something at a bargain-price.