

NEWSLETTER

ST. FILLAN'S

PARISH CHURCH

OF

ABERDOUR

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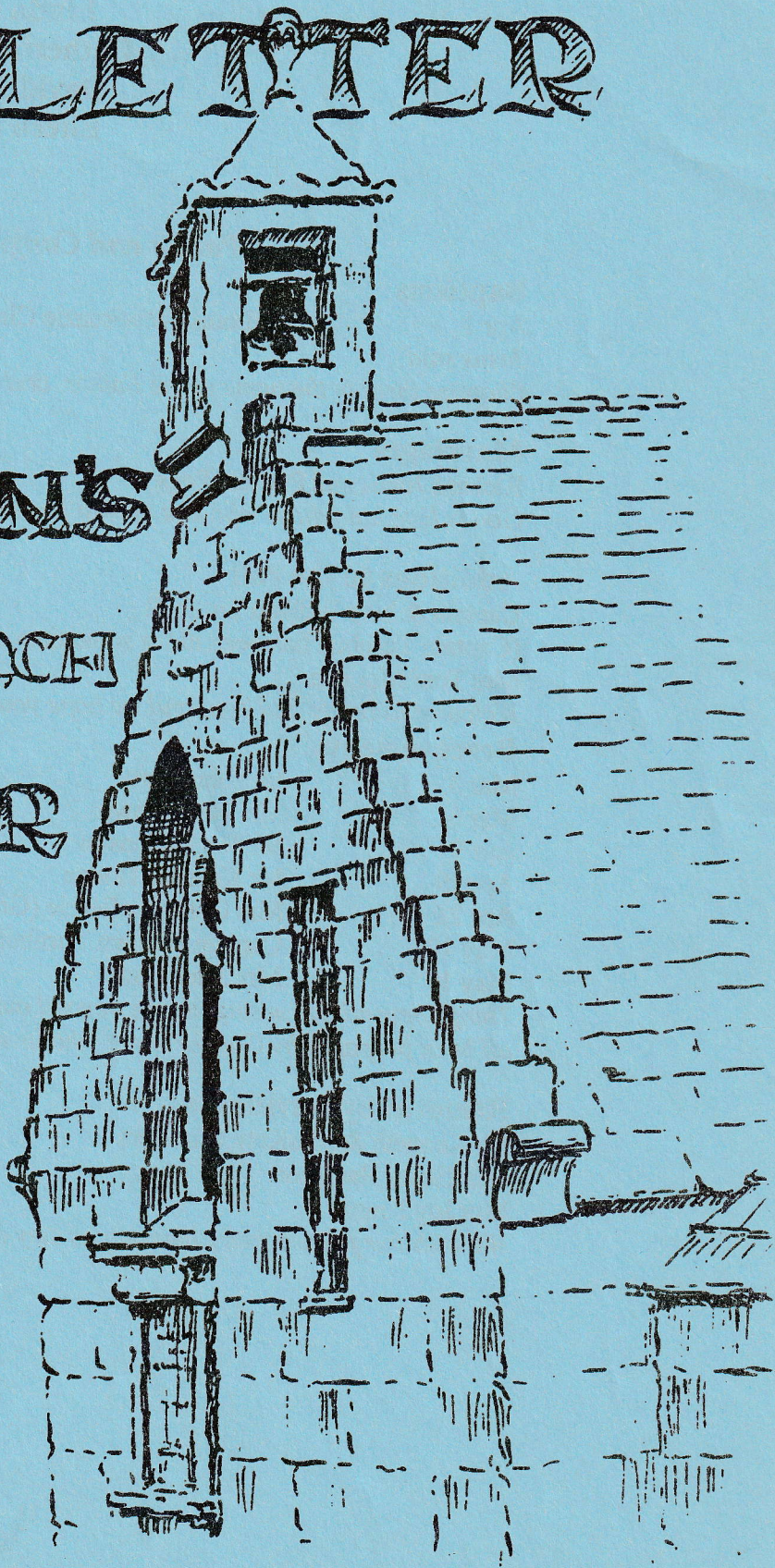
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SUMMER



2001



Church Newsletter Committee

Collette Adam
Linda Brown
Catherine Duncan
David Hannah
Eileen Harper

Parish and Congregational register

Baptisms

Apr 1

Louise Mackenzie Clarke

Jesus said

"baptize them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit"

Marriages

Richard Jones and Patricia Pegg

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

Additions to the roll

Captain & Mrs William Turnbull

(Captain Turnbull has been ill for some time and passed away on May 10)

Mrs Toni McLean

Welcome to Bunty and Toni and we hope you enjoy the fellowship here

Bereavements

Mar 3

Mr John Varty

Mar 5

Mrs Nell Brown

Apr 9

Mr Joe Dickinson

Apr 19

Mr Kenneth Hodge

Apr 28

Mrs Christina Fernie (Grayforth House)

May 10

Captain William Turnbull

May 19

Mrs Jean Gow

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 Kenneth & Mrs Katy Chalmers

to Dalgety

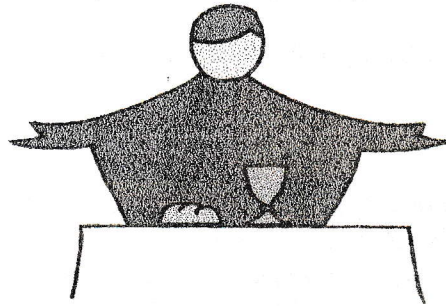
Mrs Helen Hampson

to Dalgety

Mrs Joy Kinna

to St Columba's

We wish our friends every blessing as they move to another spiritual home



An open invitation to the Lord's Table

**Sacrament of Communion
Sunday 17th June
10.00 AM and 3.00PM
For anyone who loves the Lord**

JAM CLUB

JESUS AND ME

Nursery – P7 age children welcome

For all children – not just those who come to Sunday School

Sundays 9.30 – 11.30 AM

June 3rd, 10th, 17th in the Church Hall

Christine Redhead 860503

Sunday 8th July 2001

**The 75th anniversary of the rededication of St Fillan's
(7th July 1926) is almost on us.**

To commemorate this event

Morning Worship on 8th July

will be a service of thanksgiving and celebration.

**The service will include the gift of a lectern Bible in memory of
Kenneth and Ursula Hodge. Our handbell ringers will participate.**



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Mind the gap! – Minister's musing on a Madrigal

In his lyrical poem *Time and Love*, William Shakespeare included a *madrigal*



*Crabbed Age and Youth, cannot live together:
 Youth is full of pleasance, age is full of care;
 Youth like summer morn, age like winter weather,
 Youth like summer brave, age like winter bare*
 Youth is full of sport, age's breath is short,
 Youth is nimble, age is lame:
 Youth is hot and bold, age is weak and cold
 Youth is wild, and age is tame:
 Age, I do abhor thee, youth I do adore thee.
 O! my Love, my Love is young!, age, I do defy thee—*



10 lines from the past that I believe still have much to say to us today.

The comparisons between youth and age paint word pictures I can easily associate with. I do not however agree with Shakespeare's conclusion. He, having identified the differences concludes that youth and age are uncomfortable companions and cannot live together – I believe that we must find ways to bridge the age gap currently confronting us.

In one sense it is easy to side with Shakespeare and agree that young and old do not mix well. After all how many of us 'oldies' want to dress like today's teenagers, be out all night clubbing, run the high risk of being a child affected by parental splits, face uncertain futures in the job market, and be regularly and insidiously approached and tempted by drug dealers? – These are some of the big issues confronting the youth of today.

As against this how many young people (over the age of about 7!) today want to be seen with their parents, Mum or Dad can provide the taxi service to wherever but are likely to be asked by their children to 'drop me round the corner'. In many situations involving drugs or alcohol parents are often the last people to learn of problems (built up over a period of time) that often regrettably result in serious misdemeanors. For updated information on how families of 2001 relate (or don't relate) speak to any parent with teenagers or teenager with parents!

As a parent, youth worker, and minister of the Gospel, I am well aware of the gaping and in some areas ever widening chasm between young and old. The age gap is a difficult issue and the easy option is for people (young or old) to decide that social, cultural, moral, ethical (and many other) differences are now so far apart that they cannot be bridged and there is little point in trying.

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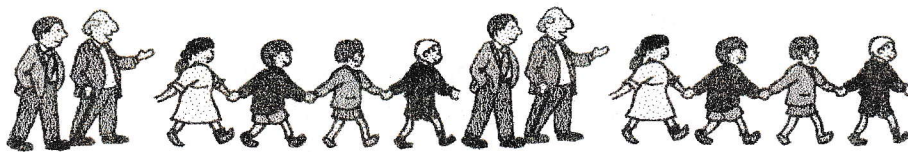
However I thank God that there are still many caring families who recognize that this defeatist attitude is negative and usually non productive and find ways to communicate and tackle differences. This positive approach is the one that the Church must follow as we handle the vexing and difficult issue of how to make the Gospel available to young and old. Our church is all inclusive; it is not only for those who want to stick to the traditions of the past, neither is it only for those who want it only to include the latest gizmos, gadgets, and eye catching attractions. In his ministry our Lord Jesus Christ clearly demonstrated sharing the Gospel with young and old and, following His example, so must we!

Ways need to continue to be found to allow youth and age to work together. In St Fillan's we try to do this. For example our regular morning worship has a section geared towards children yet retains an adult sermon. Our May open day for handbell ringing attracted both adults and children with age ranges from 5-94 (or thereby)- all of whom worked in harmony with each other. As preparation for our JAM club we are asked to pray for the adults and children who will be involved in this. This year when we go on our annual pilgrimage to Inchcolm (2nd September) our Sunday school and Bible Class will be joining with us. These are but some of the ways we are working together but many more need to be found. For example what do we need to do to make our church attractive to more teenagers? and are we prepared to meet the cost (financially and in worship style) if a way can be found?

Identifying the age gap is easy – finding ways to bridge it less so. The fact that it is difficult should not however stop us from trying.

I have a vision that the Church should be all-inclusive, offering the Gospel to the children of God, whatever age they may be. I know that many of you share this and pray that through mutual encouragement and support St Fillan's continues to work to reduce the age gap problem that so many churches now have. I ask you all, whether you are young, old, or somewhere in between, to continue to find ways of bridging the gap.

Yours in Christ
Peter Park
Parish Minister

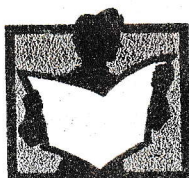


'Use your hindsight to improve your foresight'



Summer services in St Fillan's

- June, July and August morning worship is at 10AM
- On July 1st, and Aug 5th our morning worship will be in the church Hall. All other services in the church.
- Evening worship on June 3rd and July 1st in the church
- Evening worship on Aug 5th in St Columba's.
- On 2nd September morning worship at 10AM in the church and there will be no evening service. This is the day of our pilgrimage to Inchcolm



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

We have received thank you letters (re donations made by us) from	
Crossroads – caring for carers	£171.67
Scottish Motor Neurone Disease Association	£513.01



St Fillan's Lunches
 First Thursday each month
 7th June, 5th July, 2nd August, 6th September
 12 – 1.30 PM In the church Hall
 Everyone welcome to join us
 soup and filled rolls £1.50

'If you grasp tomorrow with faith you know the handle won't fall off'



Aberdour Girl Guides

September last year saw some changes within the 1st 'A' Aberdour unit. Along came a new programme, new uniform and new leaders.

Guides are encouraged to work within small groups known as Patrols and each of our Patrols have worked on different topics. We have covered team- work, resulting in a fashion show of clothing made entirely from junk. (Milan and Paris beware we have some up and coming talent in Aberdour)!! The other group meanwhile was covering the topic of peace, and peacefully working in a corner making friendship bracelets and other items.

Christmas saw us off to the Pantomime. February Valentine's were made and sent. Jacq took maternity leave and will return in August. We celebrated 'Thinking Day' in Dalgety Bay with the other local units.

In March we carried on our 'Thinking Day' celebration in St. Fillan's where some of the guides made their promise. Fordell Firs became a venue for an evening when we tried crate climbing, and more of the girls made their promise, whilst standing on top of a pile of crates.

We were quiet in April unless you were near the park in Shore Road as we were playing energetic games of rounders.

May has been a busy month, planning a party with an Indian Theme; Guides in saris could be spotted walking to the hall. We took another trip up to Fordell Firs, this time Wall Climbing, which was great fun, not easy, but had us all encouraging each other to make it to the top. (Leaders included).

Our plans for June include an evening trying out hand bells. Taking a day trip up to Fordell Firs, and befriending Guides from another area.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have helped out over the last few weeks, coming along on Tuesday evenings and for transporting the girls to various venues.

Hopefully this may encourage other girls between the ages of 10-15 to join us on a Tuesday evening, and may inspire some adults to offer their skills or even to come and join Jacq and Jenni as unit helpers. The girls are also keen to help out and about in the village. You can contact Jenni Adams on 860753 or richard_jenni @ lineone.net for further information.



Saturday 22nd September 2001

Church Coffee Morning and Book Sale

Why not make a diary date now?

St Fillan's helps finance Christian work in Pakistan-



The world is a big place and Christian work goes on all round it. Last November our then missionary partner, Catherine Nicol, who works in a Christian school in Pakistan visited St Fillan's and gave a very moving talk on her work as a missionary in Pakistan. At that time we informed her that we were sending £2000 to the Christian school there and she was absolutely delighted at this gift. We have received a thank you letter and an edited version is given here. It is a long letter written from the heart but well worth the reading as it gives an invaluable insight into her working life, with its joys and disappointments Whatever else life as a Christian in Pakistan is certainly not boring and without its difficulties.

Let us give thanks to God that we here in Aberdour are able to provide financial help and support to people like Catherine who are doing the Lord's work in very difficult circumstances.

Peter Park

To St Fillan's Parish Church,

24/2/2001

Greetings from Sialkot

I received a letter today from 121 enclosing a copy of your letter containing the good news that the money is at last being sent on 20th February to the Diocese for me.

It goes to the hostel to support girls whose parents cannot afford to pay much to us and who are not on the sponsored list of KHN Germany who support a certain number of girls in the hostel.

Since I returned I have had a variety of tasks. old and new. Since the beginning of January I have been spending a lot of time in the local military Cantonment where some of your congregation who greeted me in Urdu at the Church when I visited you, may have spent time in the army. The school the Diocese has been running there since 1927 has been located in an unused old church building for about 25 years. The local preacher lived in part of the Church and the school was in the rest. Last July the military authorities raised a voice against using the church as a residence and the preacher who was due to retire moved out. The school fell into the hands of persons who mismanaged it and things got into quite a mess both physically and financially. The Bishop asked me to look after the school for three months from January to March, so I have been going there every day, in the beginning from 8.30 to 2.15 and later from 10 to 2.15. I have breakfast before 7 so I am very hungry before I get my lunch at 2.45 when I return.

The first two weeks were very chaotic with thick fog in the morning clearing with difficulty by 11 but the sun never got out. It was too cold for the children to sit outside and the noise inside the church when all the classes were in was dreadful. There are wall partitions but they are only about 8feet high and the whole height of the church resounds with the voices. Now the teachers and children are learning to be a bit quieter, but it is not all their fault as one has to speak out when teaching. In the first two days I had to

have all the doors and windows made very secure as so many chairs, and a steel cupboard had been stolen during the Christmas holidays. I had to change all the locks, and get doors and windows made to shut. I am having the whole place rewired as the wiring was dreadful and in some of the classes it was impossible to see and the lights would not work. I have had all the windows repaired and broken glass renewed so that we do get some daylight now. The broken windows had been stuffed with paper and cloths and so no light was getting in. The windows make such a difference to the appearance of the church from the outside. After the rewiring is done I shall get it lime washed inside so that it is clean for the new school year starting on 1st April. I have also been having a go at the grounds, which means constantly chasing up the servants to cut down the "bung" a weed which is also a drug and grows profusely. We have repaired the boundary wall in places where it was broken and have planted bamboo plants inside the front wall hoping that that will be a pleasant frontage, as well as a protection for the school from the stares of passers by. There was a little derelict room (perhaps an old 'dead house') in the grounds, which we have cleaned up and restored and made into a suitable residence for a watchman gardener whom we will have to employ. It is a very attractive little building and the mason has kept its appearance as it was originally in keeping with the church. Today we were supposed to have a tractor to plough up and level the ground but he did not seem to turn up.

So I am getting the physical aspects tidied up, but the roof needs work and there are so many things coming up that will have to wait their turn. My big concern is that it has not been so easy to get the education side righted, especially as this is the last term of the school year with final exams. Two of the classes the fifth and the eighth have external exams. The eighth exams are now finished and I shudder to think what they did. The fifth started today. It is like the eleven pluses or the qualifying as it was in my day. The rest of the classes will have their exams starting in March.

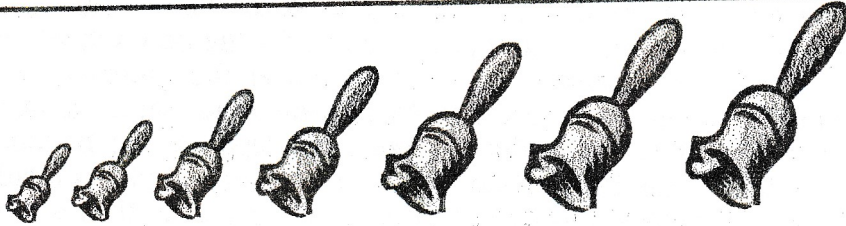
I still have the hostel to run and the school here where I am still principal. I have to give time here also and thence have started going later to the Cantt school. Here we have 750 children of whom 300plus are the hostel girls. I have a good staff here and the work goes on very smoothly. In the first week of January a former student came in very bad shape, having been very badly beaten by her husband. She came last summer for a time and went back, but this time she was really very bad and she cannot go back. She misses her children very much. The oldest son, who is her stepson comes to see her and brings news from the others. He says they cannot bear to see her being so beaten and therefore it is better for her to stay away. Since she recovered from her injuries Shahnaz has been a great help. Our matron's father had a severe brain hemorrhage and died after a brain operation on 2nd February. Kausar has had to be away a lot and Shahnaz has been helping greatly in the hostels. She is a trained nurse, an able one, and she likes to be kept busy. She is living in my store room and keeps my room clean and neat. I think I might send you a part of my diary for January. We had so many deaths and funerals in the community that it was quite depressing.

Please pray for us all here
With greetings from Hunter memorial Church

Catherine Nicol



Christian Aid sponsored golf
4th – 8th June. Aberdour and Dalgety
Sponsor sheets and details from Lois Hutchison 860444



St Fillan's Hand-bell ringers
Sunday 8th July 7 PM

Concert in the Church

An hour (or thereby) of Classical, Light and sacred music
Charity collection for the Scottish Motor Neurone Disease Association

Wednesday 11th July 7.30PM in Church

Alaska Children's chorus

As part of their UK tour some 36 children (ages 10-14)
accompanied by 24 adults are giving a concert in St Fillan's.
Charity collection on the night for CHAS (Children's Hospice)

Please come along and support the choir who are
looking forward to singing in St Fillan's

But also can you help us?

As with previous touring groups we hope to provide them with a
meal in local homes before the concert.

We split the party into small groups of 4/6 and seek volunteers to
be hosts (collect the group from the church at 5PM – return to the
church for the concert at 7PM). Given the young age of the
children at least one of their own adults will accompany each
group

If you can offer to help please speak with the minister asap.



LINE DANCING AT THE ABERDOUR FESTIVAL

Line Dancing will feature in this year's festival from 28th July to 5th August. Our local SF 49ers line dance club will this year continue meeting on Thursday nights throughout July to provide special beginners classes for both youngsters (8+) and adults in order to obtain maximum benefit at the Festival 'Gig'. 6pm to 7.30 is mainly for the youngsters but accompanying adults will always be welcome. From 7.30 to 9pm we focus on adult teaching (although children can also attend these if accompanied). Cost per person is only £1.

During Festival week a workshop will be held in the Church Hall on Monday 30th from 10.30 until 12.30 for further tuition. Those who attended regularly during July will be admitted FREE; complete newcomers will be charged £1. The Festival Gig takes place on Wednesday evening from 7 to 10pm and the more dances you know the better the enjoyment! Admission is £3 (adults), £1.50 (under 16).

The SF49ers will be holding a Charity Line Dance, for local club funds, hosted by the Moonstone CWC on Friday 27th July from 8pm until 11.30. Tickets priced £3 (adults), £1.50 (under 16) available NOW and can be obtained any Thursday evening between 6 - 7.30 at the club night.

Live Bands play to packed houses at the Young Hall every fortnight; organised by the Broken Lance CWC — a most enjoyable evening and a great way of making new friends. You don't even need a partner!

Give it a go.



All enquiries to George Connell on 860304.

(Editor's Note : Apologies to Line dance devotees - the graphics used are the nearest I had to line dancing and I appreciate that the sequences shown at the top are not strictly line dancing!)



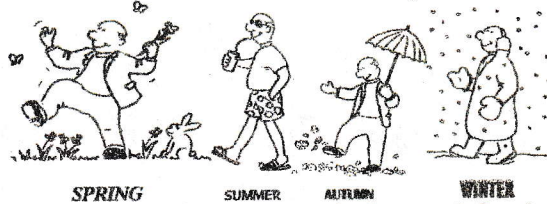
Sunday Morning Scripture Readings

The following are the planned lectionary passages for the next 6 months.
If you would like information on any theological or historical issues please
speak with Peter Park, Parish Minister (860349)

Jun 3 Pentecost	Acts 2: 1 - 21 Romans 8: 12 - 17 John 14: 8 - 17, 25 - 27	Sep 2 Inchcolm	Matthew 14: 22 - 36 Songs of Praise
Jun 10 Trinity	Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22 - 31 Romans 5: 1 - 5 John 16: 12 - 15	Sep 9	JAM sharing family service
Jun 17 Communion	1 Kings 21: 1 - 21a Galatians 2: 15 - 21 Luke 7: 36 - 8: 3	Sep 16 Pulpit exchange	Jeremiah 4: 11 - 12, 22 - 28 1 Tim 1: 12 - 17 Luke 15: 1 - 10
Jun 24 Sunday school end of term	Luke 8: 26 - 39	Sep 23	Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9: 1 1 Tim 2: 1 - 7 Luke 16: 1 - 15
Jul 1 Family service Church Hall		Sep 30	Jeremiah 32: 1 - 15 1 Tim 6: 6 - 19 Luke 16: 19 - 31
Jul 8 75 th Anniv.	2 Kings 5: 1 - 14 Galatians 6: 1 - 16 Luke 10: 1 - 20	Oct 7 Harvest	Galatians 5: 16 - 25 Luke 12: 13 - 21
Jul 15	Amos 7: 7 - 17 Colossians 1: 1 - 14 Luke 10: 25 - 37	Oct 14	Jeremiah 29: 1, 4 - 7 2 Tim 2: 8 - 15 Luke 17: 11 - 19
Jul 22	Amos 8: 1 - 12 Colossians 1: 15 - 28 Luke 10: 38 - 42	Oct 21 Communion	Jeremiah 31: 27 - 34 2 Tim 3: 14 - 4: 5 Luke 18: 1 - 8
Jul 29 Flower Fest	Hosea 1: 2 - 10 Colossians 2: 6 - 10 Luke 11: 1 - 13	Oct 28	Joel 2: 23 - 32 2 Tim 4: 6 - 8, 16 - 18 Luke 18: 9 - 14
Aug 5 Family service Church Hall		Nov 4 Saints Day	Isaiah 51: 1 - 11 Ephesians 1: 11 - 23 Luke 6: 20 - 36
Aug 12	Isaiah 1: 1, 10 - 20 Hebrews 11: 1 - 3, 8 - 16 Luke 12: 32 - 40	Nov 11 Remembrance	Micah 4: 1 - 8 2 Thess 2: 13 - 3: 5 Luke 1: 68 - 79
Aug 19	Isaiah 5: 1 - 7 Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2 Luke 12: 49 - 56	Nov 18	Isaiah 65: 17 - 25 2 Thess 3: 6 - 13 Luke 21: 5 - 19
Aug 26	Jeremiah 1: 4 - 10 Hebrews 12: 18 - 29 Luke 13: 10 - 17	Nov 25	Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6 Colossians 1: 9 - 20 Luke 23: 33 - 43

'Review and Reform'

'The Church of Scotland needs a ministry suited to today' needs'



A dominant theme before the Church at present is the need for the Church to review and reform. This is the subject of considerable debate from within and without the Church.

Much is also being said about the changing face of ministry as the job today is vastly different from that of 50 or even 10 years ago.

However the thrust of the latter debate focuses not on whether or not ministers should be clean shaven but rather on the changing demands on ministry in the third millennium.

Our Kirk Session will be collating and discussing literature about various topics and will decide how best to disseminate the information and consult with the congregation about proposed changes in how the Church carries out its business of taking the Gospel to the people of Scotland at local and national levels.

For the time being however every member of the Kirk Session has a copy of 2 major reports which were discussed at this year's General Assembly about review and reform and anyone who would like to know more about the issues under consideration should speak with any member of the Kirk Session.



We seek a beadle



or three

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

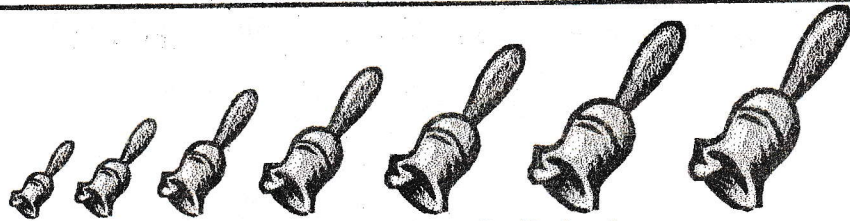
Some might say that the perfect beadle has the perception of an angel, the patience of a saint and stars at everything they do. This may be the case (and/or indeed something to aspire to) but the more basic job requirements are a desire to serve the Lord in this important and necessary job and a love 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 services 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 interested please speak with Ken Sinclair, Catherine Duncan, or the minister



Open day for handbell ringing

Sunday 1st July 2-4 pm
Church Hall

Following on our very successful open day in May we are having another
Everyone and anyone is welcome to attend
(at the last one we had an age spread from 5 – 95!)

If you can count to 4 we can teach you how to play bells as part of a like
minded group – no musical experience is required

400 years of King James Bible

Burntisland Parish Church has arranged an exciting programme during the month of June to
celebrate the commissioning of this very important bible at Burntisland in 1601

Summary of events is:

Week 1 Theme - Youth

Sun 3	11AM	Paul Beautyman	Mission co-ordinator CofS
Sun 3	7PM	Ian White	Sunday evening concert
Bible week in Burntisland school		Steven Fischbacher	
Mission week in Balwearie High school			

Week 2 Theme - History

Sun 10	11AM	Finlay Macdonald	Principal Clerk Cof S
Sun 10	3 PM	pageant from Rossend Castle to the Church	
12/13/14 A series of historical talks			
		Dr Martin Scott	Bible translations
13		Very Rev Dr Duncan Shaw	life in the Cof S in 1601
14		Dr David Caldwell	Burntisland in 1601

Week 3 Theme – Community

Sat 16	2 - 5	Family fun day Toll park	
Sun 17	11 AM	Cardinal Winning – leader of the Catholic Church in Scotland	
Sat 23	Civic week parade in the afternoon		

Week 4 Theme – Celebration

Sun 24	11 AM	Rt Rev John Miller	Moderator of General Assembly
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Please see notice boards for details of these and other events

Life goes on - doesn't it?
Some thoughts on bereavement by the minister

Bereavement is a situation that many of us have experienced.
 In the midst of our personal grief (or as we help others through their grief) many will have heard, or found ourselves using, words such as "life goes on doesn't it"

As a minister I share the grief of many and often hear these words used in a despairing way accompanied by tears and dropping of the shoulders. However I am also privileged to have witnessed many signs of Christian hope associated with the words. This reflection is based on some of the many positive stories shared with me that clearly demonstrate that even in the dark times of grief and loss there are frequent glimmers, and sometimes blinding outbursts, of Christian light that show there is a way ahead. Its sentiments will hopefully be helpful in all bereavement experiences but it is especially offered now when the village is mourning a number of recent deaths, some in tragic or untimely circumstances.

Sometimes the words are used about ourselves. We are so stunned by a feeling of loss and/or abandonment that we live in 'automatic pilot' mode. We go through the motions (actual and/or pretend) of eating and sleeping and socializing and such-like but our heart isn't in it. Many who have suffered (or still are suffering) in this way tell of the invaluable help given in so many ways by caring friends and family. We should never underestimate the importance of our holding out the hand of friendship to people in need and/or accepting the hand offered to us in friendship when we are down. That is exactly what Christ did, and we do well to follow His example in both giving and accepting help. *Yes life does go on* - but it is so much easier to bear the hardships if accompanied on the journey by people who genuinely love us and care for us.

At other times the words are used in a corporate sense. For example the recent death of Kenneth Hodge has left a large gap in jobs to be done around our Church. Kenneth was our beadle, newsletter editor, year- book compiler, and technical expert to name but a few. We all miss him but realize that *Life goes on*. I speak for St Fillan's in saying thanks to those who have already stepped forward and accepted responsibility for some of the things Kenneth used to do. However we require volunteers for a range of other jobs and I pray and hope that people will be found to share the load and allow us to continue to spread the Gospel in practical and spiritual ways.

Yes Life does go on - but it will go on much more smoothly if people rise to the occasion and help sustain our church life.

But there is another sense in which Christians realize and know that *Life goes on* and as we mourn the loss of loved ones this is one we should give constant thanks for. Christians believe that when Christians die in the faith that life is not over - oh yes the earthly period is - but the heavenly eternal life continues. We know this because Jesus told us it would be so and through the glory of the Resurrection and Ascension God has proved it to be the case. The knowledge that our loved ones are still alive in Christ sustains, strengthens, and comforts us when we lose friends and family. This crucially important fact of life separates us from non - believers who often see death as the end, and experience a numbing, chilling feeling of permanent loss.

Christians may still grieve and cry and miss our loved ones physical presence, but we know in our souls and hearts that *Life goes on*. I urge you all to thank God for providing us with this knowledge and letting us share our beliefs with others. God's people know that when we, and our loved ones, put our trust in the Lord Jesus Christ then *life does go on!*

Thanks be to God for this assurance and hope.



Can you help?

We seek someone to take over the running of the monthly rota for coffee after church.

Margaret Tollick is 'retiring' from this duty and we thank her for all her work. We are now looking for someone to take over this important job in our church life.

If interested please speak with the minister

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

Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa will be speaking tonight in church.
Come along and hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for tonight has been cancelled due to a conflict

Miss X sang "I will not pass this way again", giving obvious pleasure to the congregation



Annual boat trip and pilgrimage to Inchcolm

Our Sunday school children will be joining us on this trip

Sunday 2nd September

Leaves Aberdour pier 12.45 – returns 15.30

Tickets available from office bearers

Please note that we ask all who come on the trip to join with us for a short act of worship on arriving on the island.

**This is required to preserve our status as pilgrims
(as this avoids us paying landing fees)**