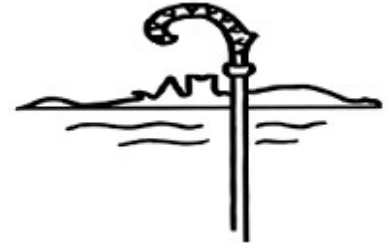


# News from St. Fillan's

## March 2024



2023 was a busy year for St Fillan's as we celebrated our 900<sup>th</sup> anniversary, 2024 may appear to be quiet but major changes are happening.

On 1<sup>st</sup> January St Fillan's Aberdour, Dalgety, Inverkeithing, North Queensferry and Rosyth churches joined to form **Fife: Forthview Parish Church**. We joined together for our Service of Union on 8<sup>th</sup> February, and we have had our first Kirk Session meeting.

As we know, the five churches will be able to call three ministers, in the mean time Fergus Duncan is the **Interim Moderator**, we know him well as he was the Interim Moderator at St Fillan's. At the moment there is no one **Session Clerk**, instead the five existing session clerks are working together. Liz Pearston (from St Fillan's) is the new **Treasurer** assisted by a team of people from all five churches. The **Property** team is led by Brian Shaw (from Dalgety) assisted by the property conveners from all five churches. Therefore life appears to continue at St Fillan's as normal.

There is no procedure for "calling" three ministers to five churches, so the process will proceed a bit slower than we would hope. If you would like to be on the **nominating committee** (which will consist of 13 people from the 5 churches) please speak to Bill Henderson. A joint parish profile is being prepared. There will be a joint 'Forthview' website.

All of the five church will take an evening service during Holy Week, it will be at St Fillan's on 26<sup>th</sup> March – look out for further details. There will be the usual Family Service on Easter Sunday in St Fillan's at 10.30 am (with Easter egg hunt).

We continue to enjoy the variety in our **Services**. We especially thank our own worship group and Rev Chris Shreeve. Chris will take the **communion service** on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March – all are welcome.

We are grateful to Eric Williamson & Judith Prichard who are playing the organ while Jim Butler is off sick.

Our monthly **Coffee & Scones** continues to be a success, it is held on the first Thursday of each month in the Church Hall between 10:30am and 12:00 noon.

Remember to check our **website** - [www.stfillanschurch.org.uk](http://www.stfillanschurch.org.uk) and our Facebook page.

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