

**Church Family Notices**

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**A note from our Minister:**

Today is Valentine’s Day! What began as a celebration of a Saint who showed God’s love voluntarily and anonymously and sacrificially is now a billion-pound industry, compulsory for anyone in a relationship of any sort, rarely anonymous, and often very expensive! The Messy Church Team will help us re-focus on love – with some fun on the way.

Talking of sharing love …

**LUBUTO** – thanks to all who contributed towards their minibus project (£700 from Dunscore). Monies and love are winging their way to Africa from both congregations.

**USED STAMPS** – these are collected to raise funds for the work of CrossReach. Pop them into Pam & Colin’s porch if you’re passing.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** – from 22nd Feb. Watch for events, information and activities.

**LENT** is coming …

TUESDAY is Shrove Tuesday – join us at 7pm via Zoom for some prayer and shriving as we prepare for Lent – bring a pancake and a cuppa!

MEDITATIONS - Short video reflections will also be published on YouTube each WEDNESDAY.

DIARY of services for Lent is attached to these CFNs and on the website.

COFFEE after services – we’re trying this on a couple of Sundays during Lent. Simply hang around on Zoom with your cuppa and we’ll break into small groups for a blether.

**PRAYER FOR FEBRUARY** –  *Eternal Father God,*

 *Your Son Jesus Christ is for all humankind,*

 *the Way, the Truth, and the Life:*

 *by the Holy Spirit help us*

 *to walk in His Way,*

 *rejoice in His Truth,*

 *and share His risen Life.*

**PRAYER THEME** – Ask God to help you show His Love in surprising ways!

Join in prayer, thought and reflection. Use the weekly prayer and theme. Light a candle. Look at pictures of friends/family/congregation. Listen to restful music. As we pray in the name of Jesus the Holy Spirit will unite us across the distancing.

*Tuesday 16 February*

7:00pm – **Prayer & Reflection** via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

*Wednesday 17 February*

From 6:00am – **Lenten Meditation** on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/uvG_UyyB7Hs>

*Thursday 18 February*

7.30pm – **Connect Study Group – DANIEL** via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/402568082>

*Sunday 21 February*

10.30am – **Morning Worship Together** via Zoom

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*Tuesday 23 February*

Fairtrade Fortnight, sadly, we don't have a Big Brew this year but, some exciting news, we have invited Petrus Bosman of Bosman Adama which is a South African Fairtrade wine producer to chat to us on Zoom. You can join this at 6:00 pm

 on https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88401861823

**Worship for Dunscore with Glencairn & Moniaive Churches**

**FEBRUARY**

16 Tue 7:00pm Shrove Tuesday Zoom Prayer & Reflection

17 Wed Ash Wednesday YouTube Lenten Meditation

21 10.30am Zoom with ‘live stream’ Organ

24 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

28 10.30am Zoom Fairtrade Special & Coffee Break!

**MARCH**

3 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

7 10.30am Zoom then Glencairn/Moniaive AGM

10 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

4 10.30am Mothering Sunday Zoom ‘Thank you’ Special & Coffee Break!

16 Tue 7:00pm Zoom Prayer & Reflection

17 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

21 10.30am Zoom with ‘live stream’ Organ then Dunscore AGM

24 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

28 10.30am Palm Sunday Zoom Messy Church Special

31 Wed YouTube Lenten Meditation

**APRIL**

1 Thu 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Zoom The Last Supper

2 Fri Good Friday YouTube At The Cross

4 10.30am Easter Day Zoom with ‘live stream’ Organ & Coffee + Egg Break!

**Eco Snippet**

We're talking washing/laundry today, it's predominantly the drying that creates the carbon footprint, ie

330gm of Co2 is produced when washing a load at 30 degrees C and line dried.

590 gm of Co2 when washed at 60 degrees and line dried.

2.1 kg of Co2 during washing and drying in a washer/dryer.

So whenever possible please dry washing outside and if you have to use a tumble dryer use the most efficient spin that your machine allows.

**First Base Food Bank**

Please remember to support this excellent charity. Winter is here and it will be a long and a hard one for many folk living on little income. I know that many of you give through ‘**Just Giving’** on line [www.justgiving.com/first-base](http://www.justgiving.com/first-base) but as an alternative, Mark Frankland would be delighted to receive cheques to ‘**The First Base Food Agency’**, 6 Buccleuch Street, Dumfries DG! 2NH. I think the need will be greatest from January to March …Many thanks.

**Notes** for inclusion in February CFNs by Friday morning please to Mark Buchanan at **buchananmbuc@aol.com**