



Dunscore Church Family Notices
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SUNDAY 10th April 2022

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TODAY:

- 10am – **Morning Worship** in St Ninian's, Moniaive
10.30am – **Messy Church** in Dunscore Church (also on Zoom)
online: Zoom live – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>
7pm – **Mask-free Hosanna-fest** in Dunscore Church (*Masks rules– see page 3 below*)

Thursday: MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 2pm – The Last Supper (Holy Communion) in St Ninian's, Moniaive
7.30pm – The Last Supper (Holy Communion) in Dunscore Church

Friday: GOOD FRIDAY

- 11am – An Hour at the Cross (Meditation) in St Ninian's, Moniaive
2pm – An Hour at the Cross (Meditation) in Dunscore Church

Next Sunday: EASTER DAY

- 8am – Early Alleluias at Hillhead Farm – bring your Easter Eggs for breakfast together!
10am – Easter Praise in St Ninian's, Moniaive
11.45am – Easter Praise in Dunscore Church (also on Zoom)
online: Zoom live – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>
2pm – Easter Treasure Hunt starts in park, ends at St Ninian's, Moniaive.

A Message from our Minister:

GOOD NEWS!

Masks are no longer a legal requirement in Places of Worship!

This means that we can sing without being muffled and I can see if anyone is smiling on a Sunday!

GOOD NEWS!

Today is Palm Sunday when we remember Jesus riding on a donkey, the King of kings humbly sitting on an ass, as people shouted HOSANNA! That means "Save us, O Lord", though we use it more as a cry of celebration these days.

GOOD NEWS!

The week ahead is Holy Week when we remember the suffering Jesus went through so that we could have the chance to be God's friends again. Arrest, trial, beating, crucifixion, death, burial.

A sombre time of reflection and meditation – God deliberately choosing to die for you!

GOOD NEWS!

Next Sunday is Easter Day! The tomb was empty, Jesus risen, eternal life available for all who believe in Him! No wonder we sing ALLELUIA! "Praise the Lord".

Join us in the various events and activities this Holy Week (check out the online options too) and see what Good News is there – it might make the Easter Eggs taste better!

GOOD NEWS!

God Bless,
Mark

PRAYER for this week:

Almighty and Eternal God, in tender Love for all our human race, You sent Your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross.

May we follow the example of His great humility and share in the glory of His resurrection; through the power of the Cross of Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PRAYER THEME – Ask Jesus to help you understand His Love shown on the Cross.

Dalgarno Singers Spring Concert – 7.30pm Mon **25th April** in Church.

"I will lift my voice and sing". Tickets £8 or 2 for £15. (Children free). Tickets from John Drabble or Caroline Lester – or available at the door.

Plant Sale 28th May

Don't forget when you are doing a Spring Clean, save your books and bric-a-brac which we will be selling in addition to plants.

The Village Library

There is now a small 'Help Yourself Library' in the Glenriddell Hall which is available when the Post Office is open. It will be refreshed regularly. If you have books you would like to donate, please put in the cardboard box beside the bookshelf.

First Base Food Bank

Mark Frankland of First Base has told us that they distribute around 1,400 food parcels a week.

YOU CAN: Donate through 'Just Giving' online - www.justgiving.com/first-base OR Mark Frankland would be delighted to receive cheques made out to 'The First Base Food Agency' at First Base Food Bank 6 Buccleuch Street, Dumfries DG1 2NH. OR I will be happy to take a donation in church and send it. Many thanks for your help. Sheila.

Please send items for April CFNs to:

John Drabble. Tel 01387 820480. E-mail jpdabble@btopenworld.com

From St. Mungo's Church notices:

"The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict".

See New Masks rules overleaf.....

MASKS IN CHURCH ...

Most of you will have heard about the changes to COVID rules affecting Places of Worship. These mean that we are no longer required by law to wear masks during worship, meetings, or when singing in church. We can also sit closer together as distancing rules have been eased too! We have been looking forward to this for a long time, but some of you may still be a bit nervous about going mask-free or getting closer together, especially with the current outbreaks of COVID in our communities.

We want to make sure that everybody feels safe when coming into our buildings so in our churches (St Ninian's, Moniaive and Dunscore Church) we still have some seats set out for social-distancing (1m apart) and the choice of whether to wear a mask is yours alone. We look forward to welcoming back those who have been put off by mask-wearing rules, whilst keeping as safe as possible, as we celebrate Holy Week and Easter together.