



**Dunscore Church Family Notices**  
**Registered Scottish Charity SC016060, Congregation Number 080454**

## **SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

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**10.00 am – Café Church** in Dunscore Church (also on Zoom)

online: Zoom live – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

**11.30am – Morning Worship** in St Ninian's, Moniaive

### ***A Message from our Minister***

This week many children got their exam results. A lot of hard work over several years, hours in the exam hall and weeks of nervous anticipation all leading to a moment when the email/letter arrives. Then a split-second to absorb the contents. Whatever those contents, many of our young people are starting a new chapter of life.

Later in life, too, we face moments when what we decide (and do) sets the direction for our future.

Many of you, young and older (and middle-aged) have already made dramatic changes in your lives. New job, new location, new relationships.

Jesus' called His disciples to follow Him and they responded by stepping out in faith. They got a new job as "fishers of men", an apprenticeship, learning on the job from the Master. They were in new locations, wandering the hills of Palestine, away from 'home' and dependent on the hospitality and generosity of others. They had new relationships, with Jesus and with each other, across the cultural and socio-economic divide, people they would never have spoken to or interacted with.

Faith in Jesus is an amazing adventure – are you ready for something new in your life?

God Bless,

Mark

**PRAYER for AUGUST:** *Almighty God,*

*thank You for those who have shown faith in their lives,  
who have served as examples for me.*

*Lord Jesus,*

*thank You for the example of Your own life,  
encouraging the faith of people You met.*

*Holy Spirit,*

*thank You for Your inspiration and strength  
as my own faith grows.*

*I believe, help my unbelief,  
for Jesus' sake.*

**PRAYER THEME** – Ask God for the courage to step out in faith and follow Jesus' Way.

*Next Sunday:*

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**Help! We need a safeguarding officer** – Aly Robertson has stood down as our church safeguarding officer and we thank her for all her service in this important post. If you could help by becoming our Safeguarding Officer please speak to Mark or Colin (Training supplied)

**Help! We volunteers to be on CFN Rota** – There are vacancies to assist with CFN collation and production. This is not a very onerous task and help is always available. Please contact John Drabble if you can help.

**Coming soon ...**



**ALPHA COURSE** starts 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

Thursday evenings at 7pm in Dunscore Church

A meal, a short talk, lots of discussion. Bring your questions, bring your doubts, bring your faith. A chance to grow your faith

**Eco Snippet** -Tooth whitening kit! Expensive?

Try used banana peel rubbed along your top and bottom teeth for about 1 minute – let it stay for about 5 minutes and then brush with a dry toothbrush. Do this a couple of times a week and watch the effect on your smile!

***Heritage Centre Open 2-4pm on Sundays***

Do visit and tell your friends about our Heritage Centre in the church. Lots of information about the history of the village and Jane Haining. Friendly welcome and good coffee guaranteed.

***The First Base Food Bank is more important than ever!***

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](http://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 any items for the August CFNs to Colin at  
[c.mitchell50@btinternet.com](mailto:c.mitchell50@btinternet.com)

(We need volunteers to join our CFN rota!!)