



Dunscore Church Family Notices
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A Message from our Minister:

ALLELUIA! Christ is Risen!
He is Risen indeed! ALLELUIA!

This weekend is a busy one ... with an extra Bank Holiday thrown in!

I'm sure we all wish King Charles well and pray that he will fulfil his duties with grace and good humour. I also pray that all the events happening over this weekend will be full of fun and good humour – whether a pub full of folkies, a street full of neighbours, or a park full of families – and reflect the sense of community which we all seek.

Music is very much at the centre with the Folk Festival in Moniaive and new music commissioned by King Charles for the Coronation. God wants our worship and it is sweetest when we sing from the heart together – making a joyful noise from our hearts full of love and adoration.

Join us in making some noise and letting rip as we worship the real King – Jesus!

God Bless,

Mark

PRAYER for this week:

Lord Jesus, You call us by name and lead us out, surrounding us with love and protection.

We go out in the safety and security of knowing that we are part of Your flock.

Thank You for our sense of belonging: to our church family, to all our other family, work, and community groups.

May we never lose our sense of inclusion. May we know our true identity in You.

May we go in Your Name, gracious Lord, to offer our lives in Your service.

PRAYER THEME – Thank God for Jesus – our King, the Way, the Truth, the Life.

This Thursday:

7.30pm – **Connect: Just10** in Dunscore Church

Next Saturday:

2pm – **Rise up singing: Cairn Chorus** in Dunscore Church. Tickets at door £10.

Next Sunday:

10.30am – **Messy Church** in Dunscore Church (also online)
Zoom live – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

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

7pm – **Prayer & Reflection** in Dunscore Church

2 weeks to go to the GREAT PLANT SALE on 20th May

Plants, Books and Bric-a Brac wanted. As the weather improves think about planting a few extra seeds or splitting those clumps of herbaceous plants. For those who do spring cleaning, remember to save your books and bric -a brac.

Mary Waugh is still happy to take donations anytime. 01387 80301.

Andy shall be doing the book stall again. If anyone has books for the stall, please get in touch with him and he shall collect them from you. Please note the books which turnover best are mainly recent best sellers in the genres of crime, thrillers, contemporary and historical romance and so on. You can reach him on 07765887349 or andybarrcards@btinternet.com and he shall arrange collection. Thank you.

Important dates

18th June - we provide refreshments at Dunesslin Open Garden. Volunteers required.

Watch out for other needs and opportunities as Summer approaches!

Hopefully you will all have noticed our logo for our 200th Anniversary of our church building. There are plans for this celebration concluding with a weekend event **1st - 3rd September**. More information to follow.

Eco-snippet

Spring Cleaning. Believe in the power of small changes to make a big impact. By swapping out traditional "cleaning" products for eco-friendly microfibre cloths, you can reduce your environmental footprint and make a positive impact on the planet.

Can you help?

Dunscore with Moniaive / Glencairn Churches have been twinned with Lubuto, Ndola Zambia Church of Zambia Congregations for the past 14 years. There have been various visits back and forth during that time. It was decided that to refresh the twinning Lubuto congregation would be asked to send two delegates to Scotland.

Rev Friday Sinconde, minister and Mr Levy Mwanza were selected by the Lubuto congregation. A Faithshare grant was successfully applied for, where the Church of Scotland pay the airfares of the delegates.

The host churches have to cover their visa and insurance costs.

Subject to successfully obtaining visas, the two Zambians are coming to Dunscore in the first two weeks of June and the visit will need volunteers to make it run smoothly. These include:

- Driving the Zambians to and from the airport,
- Hosting them for the duration of their visit (this would be in one week blocks)
Hosting daily activities (which will include trips to the seaside, to local towns and hopefully to Edinburgh).
 - Providing them with an evening meal (we will need to provide this for each night of their stay).

If you can help with any of these things, please contact **Aly Robertson**

on 01387 255722 or alyrobbo@hotmail.com

Help! We still need 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.

Heritage Centre

We are looking for more volunteers to help as **guides and assistants in the Heritage Centre**, which will be open 2 – 4pm on Sundays from Easter Day. Training is on the job with the more experienced guides. Probable requirement 2 or 3 times during the season.

If you could help and would like to know more about it call Matthew 01387 820448, Pam 01387 820455 or John 01387 820376.

The First Base Food Bank

IF YOU CAN: Please Donate through 'Just Giving' online - www.justgiving.com/firstbase 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. Tel. 01387 820236 or e-mail sheila69@btinternet.com

Quote of the week.

If you can keep your head when all about are losing theirs, you'll be taller than anybody else.

- Tim Brooke Taylor.

Please send any items for the May CFNs by Thursday afternoon to John Drabble at 01387 820376 or e-mail jdrabble@btopenworld.com