



**Dunscore Church Family Notices**  
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**Sunday 11th February 2024 Reading - Mark 9v2-9**

**A Message from our Minister:**

Some of you will have noticed that the Manse landline is not working at the moment! Our planned Baptism at Dunscore today has been postponed due to ill health. Our first Connect Lent study has been re-located to the Manse. In our reading today, Peter comes up with great plans, which were not to happen. There's a story behind each of these changes ... how often do we face inconveniences, frustrations, misunderstandings on our journey through life? Dougie will get better and his Baptism be re-scheduled. Connect will return to its regular place in the church. Peter began to understand more as he stepped into leadership in the early church. BT and OpenReach may be harder work, but we will endeavour. (Use my mobile in the meantime) In the midst of the ups and downs of His Ministry, Jesus showed His Disciples who He really is. As we seek to serve Him and others, that same Jesus dwells within us so that we can show who He is to others. As He blesses us, so we are called to share those blessings with those around us.

God Bless,

Mark

**PRAYER** for this week: God of our setting out and of our arriving,  
we rejoice that, wherever we go, You go with us.  
When we journey together, You bless us with fellowship.  
When we journey alone, You bless us with courage.  
When we journey in the footsteps of others,  
You bless us with gratitude.  
When we journey to new places, You bless us with faith.  
And when we make our last journey, You bless us  
with the knowledge we are safe within Your Eternal Love.  
Thank You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**PRAYER THEME** - Thank the Lord that He wants to bless you,  
whatever is going on.

**Thursday:**

7.30pm - Connect: Lent The Lord's Prayer **at the Manse**

**Saturday:** COFFEE MORNING MADNESS ... are you up to it?

10am-12noon - Gala Coffee Morning in Glenriddell Hall, Dunscore

10.30am-12.30pm - Coffee Morning in St Ninian's, Moniaive

**Next Sunday:**

10am - Morning Worship in St Ninian's, Moniaive

11.30am - Family Worship with Baptism (Maggie Banks) in Dunscore  
Church

**Monday 19th :**

7.30pm - Following Death Practical Information for a difficult time,  
in Dunscore Church

**Funeral Intimation:** Christine McConnel, who lived at Lettrick, died  
at home on Sunday 4 February. Her funeral is on Monday 26  
February at 11:00 am in St Margaret's Church in New Galloway.

**Eco Snippets:** Where do you buy your books? Probably from the church book sale - an excellent choice! But what if you want something specific? Don't head to Amazon with its tax avoidance and workers rights issues (incidentally, Amazon owns Abe Books and Audible so they are best avoided too). Always go for a local, independent shop when you can or why not try second-hand? Have a look at World of Books where you can find a vast range of second hand books in great condition - and WoB takes ethics seriously.



**Fairtrade Big Brew**  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 11am-2pm**  
Craft stalls in the Church  
Soup, Cake & Refreshments  
In the Glenriddel Hall

Please send any items for CFNs for service on Sunday 18th February by Friday afternoon 9th February to Tim Harmer [timharmer95@gmail.com](mailto:timharmer95@gmail.com) Telephone 820861