

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

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Sunday 10th March 2024 Reading - John 3:14-21

#### A Message from our Minister:

Today is **MOTHERING SUNDAY!** This has ancient roots, going back to the earliest days of the Christian church - a time to remember those who have nurtured us in our life and in our faith. People would travel back to the church where they had been baptised (mostly adult baptism in those days and mostly on Easter Day as part of a large gathering together) to re-focus themselves as part of the Lenten fast in preparation for Easter. Returning to what they saw as 'Mother Church', hence Mothering Sunday! A physical reminder of the spiritual truth of their faith. What, or who, do you go back to when you need encouragement or a re-boot for your faith? Thank God for all the people, places, music, words, which have helped you on your journey of faith as well as those who have nurtured you physically and emotionally. Thank Him for the glimpses of His Light which have pushed back the darkness and shown us the way. Who will you thank this Mothering Sunday? God Bless.

Mark

#### PRAYER for this week:

Almighty God, King of kings and Lord of lords, we adore You.

You make sense of our lives, of our living and our loving.

You make sense of the world around us,

in peace and in turmoil.

In moments of joy and desolation

You bring us meaning and purpose.

You are light in our darkness.

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**PRAYER THEME** - Thank God that He gives us light, directly and through those who love us.

#### Wednesday:

7pm - Repair Café in Dunscore Church

## Thursday:

7.30pm - Connect: Lent - Forgive us our ... at Dunscore Church

# Saturday:

10.30am - Coffee Morning at St Ninian's, Moniaive

## Next Sunday 17th March:

10am - Morning Worship in St Ninian's, Moniaive 11.30am - Morning Worship in Dunscore Church Services led by Rev Tim Harmer

ECO-Snippets -tips for working towards a more sustainable life ...

More skin stuff: Brighten up house plant leaves by wiping them down with the inside of a banana skin. The skin will remove the grime on the leaves!tips for working towards a more sustainable life ...

# The Big Plant Sale . Funds for "Raising the Manse Roof" 27th April 11am - 2pm. Glenriddell Hall.

Plants of all sorts for Sale, with teas and Bric-a-brac. We are looking for contributions of all kinds of plants, baking ,bric-a-brac and toys. (No clothes please). This sale is especially important as we have serious repairs to carry out on the Manse roof.



Please send any items for CFNs for service on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March by Friday afternoon 15<sup>th</sup> March to Tim Harmer at timharmer95@gmail.com