

## INTIMATIONS: Sunday 8th December 2019

We welcome you to our service this morning. You are reminded that when the Bible is brought in and carried out of Church we all stand. Our service this morning will be taken by our minister, **Rev. Shuna Dicks**. Any visitors worshipping with us are especially welcome and are invited to join us for tea or coffee in the hall afterwards.

### SUNDAY:

**There will be a Traidcraft stall in the Main Hall** following this service. Please do come along to view our range of products. Gifts, cards, festive food and chocolate. **New for this year-** hampers containing your own carefully selected items.

A service will be held at **Deeside Care Home** this afternoon at 2.30pm. All members of the congregation are invited to join us.

### MONDAY:

**The Monday Squad** will meet at the shed at 9.30am. Any queries please contact Willie Black. Tel. 01224 869362.

**Knit and Natter** meet in **Scolty from 2.00pm until 4.00pm**. Please do come along with your knitting, tapestry etc to join us. All welcome.

**Badminton** - We meet tonight in the **Main Hall** at Quarry Road from **7.15pm**. A warm welcome to anyone who would like to come and join our friendly group. Our last session for this year will be on **16<sup>th</sup> December**. Contact John Troup. Tel. 01224 732701.

### TUESDAY:

A **Blue Advent Service** will take place this evening in the **Sanctuary at 7.00pm**. This will be a reflective service preparing for Christmas. All welcome.

The **Guild** meets for their **Pot Luck Supper** in the Hub at 7.00pm. An evening of fellowship, fun and good food. Further information from **Mary Troup 01224 732701**.

### TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY:

**The Hub Café** will be open from 10am to 3pm serving teas/coffees, soup, sandwiches, baked potatoes, quiche and home baking.

**WEDNESDAY:** The **050 Group** will meet for lunch in **Lochnagar** at **11.45am** followed by entertainment from **Yvonne Morton** at the **Xmas Party**. For more information please contact **Libby Brand 01224 867717**.

### THURSDAY:

**Bible Study** will not be meeting again this year. Meetings resume on **9<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. All welcome, even for just one session!

**The Poetry Group** will meet for Advent from **11.30am until 1.00pm** in **Scolty**. For further information please contact **Margaret Robertson 01224 733567**.

**Laura Walker** will be holding an exercise class in **Bennachie at 11.00am**. All welcome. First class is free of charge.

**Messy Church** will take place in the **MAIN HALL AT QUARRY ROAD** from 4.00pm until 6.00pm. We will be having our Christmas Party so all children accompanied by adults will be very welcome.

**The Carpet Bowlers** will meet at 7.00pm in the **Main Hall** at Quarry Road. New members will be made very welcome! Tuition available!

**The Choir** will NOT meet this week.

**FRIDAY:**

**Friday Cafe.** We will meet this week from 3.30pm until 5.30pm. table tennis, table football, air hockey, basketball etc. café and tuck shop. Baking. Music. All in S1-S4 welcome.

**SATURDAY:**

**Mains of Drum- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 12.00 midday to 2.00pm.**

All members of the congregation young or old, would be very welcome to join with the choir in singing carols to the shoppers as they come in. It's a great feeling to spread some good cheer. All proceeds go to Christian Aid. Anyone wanting to join the choir at Drum is welcome to come to one of the Thursday rehearsals, but this is not essential. Just turn up! Carol sheets will be provided.

We will be holding our **Cinema Night** tonight in Bennachie. The film on this occasion is '**The Greatest Store in the World**'. 7.00pm start. Entry by donation -Ice cream- pop corn and drinks included.

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Everyone is welcome to put flowers in church for worship on Sunday. If you have never done so and would like to be part of the rota for **Sunday flowers** please call Maureen 861377 or e-mail [maureen.ag@btinternet.com](mailto:maureen.ag@btinternet.com).

The **Christmas Tree Festival** will take place from **9<sup>th</sup> until 15<sup>th</sup> December** from 2.00pm until 7.00pm in the **Sanctuary**. Lists are available in the **Main Hall** for anyone wishing to help by being in attendance or providing music for the event. Please add your name at a convenient time.

The **Care Group** needs more people to visit the elderly and housebound in the Parish. If you would like to know more about what we do, please talk to **Maureen Hamilton -01224 868166**.

**A Christmas Day Lunch will be served in the Hub Café from 12.00 noon until 2.00pm.**  
**If you would like to join us please contact June Gilchrist on 01224 867353 or 07776458191.**

Tickets for the **Hogmanay Family Party** are available from **Maureen Taylor** from today. The party will take place from 8.00pm until midnight. Adults £10.00. Children £3.00.

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.*

## Readings for the Next Few Weeks

15th December	Isaiah 35:1-10, Luke 1:46b-55
22nd December	The Nativity
29th December	TBC
5th January	TBC

## Daily Bible Readings

The Daily Readings for December are a special challenge for Advent. Each day read another chapter of Luke's Gospel. This will mean that come Christmas Day you will have read the entire Gospel, taking you full cycle in Jesus life and ministry!

Sunday	8th December	Luke Ch 8
Monday	9th December	Luke Ch 9
Tuesday	10th December	Luke Ch 10
Wednesday	11th December	Luke Ch 11
Thursday	12th December	Luke Ch 12
Friday	13th December	Luke Ch 13
Saturday	14th December	Luke Ch 14

After reading the passage take a few moments to think about/contemplate what you have read, and to finish your time use the following short prayer or The Lord's Prayer. You may also wish to use the daily prayer suggested in our Prayer Diary (available from the Church website, the Kirk Centre or Sanctuary).

*Lord, thank you for your Word,  
For the way it speaks;  
the way it can both comfort and challenge.  
help me to understand and apply it's teaching in my life.  
Amen*

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