

Church Services

	Kinnaird Abernyte	Inchture Longforgan
	9.30am 11.00am	9.45am 11.00am
April 4	United Service in Abernyte Church led by Rev J Roy	
April 11	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
April 18	Rev B Thomson	Rev L Kay
April 25	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
May 2	Rev J Roy	Rev L Kay
May 9	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
May 16	Rev B Thomson	Rev R Donald
May 23	United Service at Longforgan Church led by Rev J Roy (Election of Nominating Committee)	
May 30	Rev B Thomson	Rev R Donald
June 6	Rev J Roy	Rev L Kay



Starter Packs Dundee

....supported by the Churches

Starter Packs Dundee continues to provide a high quality service to needy and homeless individuals and families, ranging from the young person of 16 coming out of care to the elderly person returning home after a long stay in hospital. Everything may be required for the 16 year-old renting a flat or bedsit for the first time with no family support, while the elderly person may only require some new bedding and towels. The volunteers make up the packs thoughtfully, gearing them to the needs of the client.

We employ two part-time administrators and pay a contribution to the overheads of TRANSFORM Furniture Project who supply us with accommodation and occasional manual assistance. The budget is now over £40,000 a year. Like all other voluntary organisations we are feeling the effect of the recession. Dundee City Council Social Work Department no longer gives grants to voluntary organisations and the Lloyds TSB Charitable Foundation for Scotland has folded, reducing our income by £12,000. It is hard work finding replacement funding.

Meanwhile we just marvel at how, in the past, our needs have been met and the donation of suitable goods never dries up – thanks to you.

Starter Packs Dundee, 1 Guthrie Street, Taymill, Dundee, DD1 5DY (01382 223977)

The deadline for the June/July edition of Church News
is **Friday 28th May**

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CHURCH NEWS

**April/May
2010**

Abernyte

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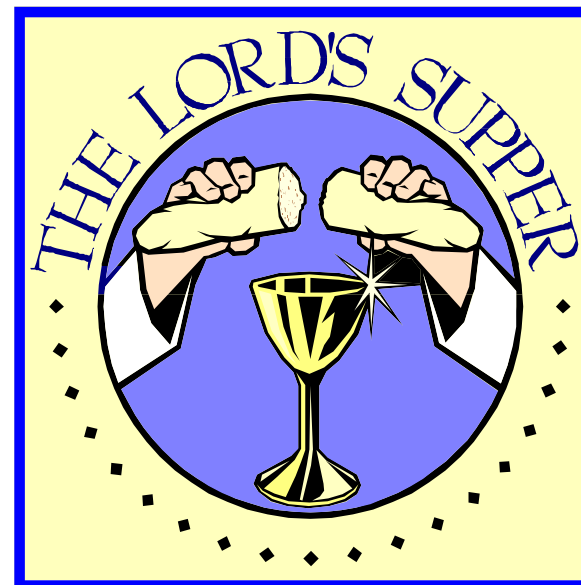
Inchture

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Kinnaird

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Longforgan



**CHURCH
OF
SCOTLAND**

Services of Holy Communion

will be held in all of our churches on

Sunday 25th April

Interim Moderator: Rev James A. Roy, 7 Northwood Terr, Wormit, DD6 8PP.
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Associate Minister: Rev Robert Donald, 2 Blacklaw Drive, Birkhill, DD2 5RJ.
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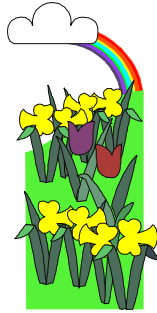
Locum Minister: Rev J Bruce Thomson, 47 Elm Street, Errol, PH2 7SQ.
Tel 01821 641039; email revbrucethomson@aol.com

Church Website: www.carsechurches.com

From the Interim Moderator

Dear Friends

May I wish all friends and members of the Carse churches the joy and blessings of a Happy Easter. Because of the production schedule for the magazine, this letter is being written on the Monday of Holy Week, and you may not be reading it until some time after Easter Day. But the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus cannot be limited to just one Sunday in the year. In a very real sense, every Sunday is Easter Sunday, the Day of Resurrection – which is why we meet for worship on the first day of the week and not on the seventh like our sister faiths of Judaism and Islam.



It's good also that we are leaving the dark dreich days of winter behind us, and with the change of the clocks we have the bright long evenings to look forward to, while all around the spring flowers are in full bloom. It's one of the glories of living in this beautiful part of the world, that there are so many colourful displays of spring flowers in every park and garden. It's as if nature itself were a parable of the new life that Jesus brings us all, of which we are reminded once more at this Easter season.

Jesus came to bring us new life and he promises to each one of us life in all its fullness, which he alone can give. Yet we know that, sadly, too many of our fellow men and women are denied that fullness of life because of poverty, sickness or natural disaster. Once again in May we are being given the opportunity to do something practical to improve their plight in Christian Aid Week, which will be observed from 9th to 15th May. I commend it to your support.

The promise of Easter, of Resurrection, of new life, is for everyone. May we each experience its reality and power, in our own lives, in the life of the church, and the life of the world.

On a personal note, we look forward to welcoming back our Assistant Minister, the Rev Robbie Donald, hopefully in the second half of May, after his recent successful hip replacement operation. He is presently convalescing and recovering strength in his leg. It will be good to have him back in our pulpits and in our homes.

With all good wishes and every blessing.

Your Interim Moderator

Jim Roy

Longforgan News continued

- Can you help with the rota for tea/coffee provided after
- Sunday morning services? There are spaces to be filled in
- April and May and if you would like to volunteer, please write
- your name on the rota sheet in the Hall of Friendship. Isobel
- Smart will be happy to answer any questions you may have!



Longforgan Kirk Session News

1. Three committees, under the following headings, are to be set up to maintain and assist the wellbeing and functioning of our Church:
 - Worship
 - Pastoral Care and Mission
 - Fellowship, Community & Fundraising Events
 Members are invited to put their name forward to their Elder or the Session Clerk to help on one of these committees.
2. Mrs Isabel Taylor is to co-ordinate news from Longforgan for posting on the Carse Churches website and any items will be gratefully received.
3. Longforgan Church and Hall still require a cleaner.
4. A lunch was held at Inchtute Hotel to mark the retiral of Rev Robin Rae, locum minister to the linkage for the past nine months. Twenty-five people from throughout the linkage were in attendance and Rev Rae was presented with a cheque which was raised by donation from the congregation in Longforgan in recognition of his pastoral role during his time there. The Interim Moderator thanked Miss Mitchell and the Clerk for organising the event.
5. Miss Mairi Mitchell has retired as Presbytery Elder after a term of six years. The time and dedication she has exerted in this role was recognised with warm appreciation by the Kirk Session.
6. New Member by certificate of transference - Mrs Elaine Stewart, 3, Main Street, Longforgan.

The Church News can now be downloaded (or viewed) on www.carsechurches.com and www.abernyte.org

Longforgan News

Church Flowers

We are indebted to the following for the provision of flowers in the Church in April and May:

- April 2 Mrs M Anderson
- April 11 Mrs M Strachan
- April 18 Mrs A Lynch
- April 25 Mrs I Taylor
- May 2 Mrs M Wilson
- May 9 Flower Fund
- May 16 Mrs R Learmonth
- May 23 Mrs S Taylor
- May 30 Flower Fund
- June 6 Mrs I Taylor

Longforgan Parish Church Guild

Coffee Morning

Saturday 17th April
10am-12noon
in the **Church Hall**



Cake & Candy, Bric-a-Brac,
Jewellery, Raffle

Longforgan Guild

At the Annual General Meeting of the Guild on 24th March, Mrs Marion Finlayson gave an excellent talk on the Guild Project, "On the Other Side", explaining the function and benefits of the Visitor Centre in Perth Prison run by the Church of Scotland.



Longforgan Church - The Pop-In

The "Pop-In", which has operated throughout the winter on Wednesday mornings between 8.45am and 10.30am, has proved popular with those young mums delivering their children to school on cold and frosty mornings. Up to 15 mums, mostly with younger children, have enjoyed coming in for coffee or tea and toast, and chat. Not only mums, but grannies and 'aunties' enjoy popping in, too!



A rota of helpers from the Church have nobly turned up at 8.15am to prepare the Hall.

At the moment the helpers are debating whether to keep The Pop-In going in the summer holidays. Perhaps those gentlemen who go up and down the village for their paper every day would welcome a cup of tea and toast and an opportunity to meet their pals and catch up with the gossip.

VACANCY NEWS

I have been asked to write this note to bring you up to speed on how our vacancy is proceeding.

After various drafts, a final version of the **Parish Profile** has now been agreed by the three Kirk Sessions. This will be sent to any applicants for the vacancy.

An **Electoral Register** is in process of being drawn up containing the names of all members who wish to vote in the election of a new minister. The proposed register will be available in each of the churches at the close of worship on Sundays 11th and 18th April and on Wednesday evening 14th April from 7.00–7.30pm. Please do make a point of checking that your name is on the list. The register then has to be attested by each Kirk Session.

At Pentecost, 23rd May, there will be a united morning service at Longforgan, to be followed immediately by a meeting of the congregations in the church. The purpose of the meeting is to **elect a Nominating Committee**. This is a key step in the vacancy procedure.

The Nominating Committee has the important responsibility of nominating one person to the congregations with a view to the election and appointment. The committee shall have a maximum of thirteen members – 2 from Abernethy, 6 from Inchtute & Kinnauld, and 5 from Longforgan. Any member whose name is on the Electoral Register may be proposed for election to the Nominating Committee. So please do think carefully and prayerfully of your fellow members in your own congregation whom you would wish to nominate and elect to represent you on the Committee, and please do try to be present at Longforgan Church on 23rd May for the election of the Committee.

[Rev Jim Roy, Interim Moderator]

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- **Parish Register** •
- **Funerals** •
- 12/02/2010 Mrs Janet Fraser, Inchtute •
- 12/02/2010 Mrs Mary Murray, Abernethy •
- 17/02/2010 Dr Mary Young, Kinnauld •
- 01/03/2010 Mrs Margaret Young, Inchtute •
- 03/03/2010 Mrs Elizabeth (Betty) Rennie, Longforgan •
- 16/03/2010 Mrs Irene Harris, Easter Ballindean •
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Kirk Session Meetings	
Abernethy	Thursday 20th May , 7pm (Congregational Board also meets at 7pm)
Inchtute & Kinnauld	Tuesday 18th May, 7pm at Kinnauld
Longforgan	Tuesday 8th June, 7pm in Hall of Friendship

Walking Group Programme 2010



We are a friendly group and always welcome new members from around our parishes, whether church members or not. Families are encouraged and the age range during our 2009 programme was 6 years to 70+ . We also have several dogs who regularly bring their owners. (The detailed programme indicates if for any reason it is not appropriate to bring dogs or if they require to be kept under control in certain areas.)

All walks are on Tuesday evenings and start at the car park at Inchtute Church at 6.15pm, returning around 8.15pm.

- 20 April** Invergowrie - we will walk around the path network at SCRI. This is pretty much on the flat with some lovely views across the river and across Dundee.
- 25 May** Visit to Scotstoun Farm at Auchterhouse where we will have a guided walk round an organic farm. **No dogs on this walk.**
- 15 June** BBQ to be held behind Inchtute Village Hall. We will walk across the flyover and up to Teen Ranch returning with a hearty appetite to enjoy the BBQ. This walk is flat.
- 20 July** Backmuir Woods near Muirhead. This walk skirts the wood initially to reach the old drovers' road which we follow to Fowlis for about a mile, returning back the same way to the woods. This is a fairly flat walk with a couple of short, gentle inclines.
- 17 August** Kinnaird - A circuit of the hills around Kinnaird. This walk will be fairly moderate, i.e. some steep bits but within the capabilities of most reasonably fit people. **No dogs on this walk.**
- 21 Sept** Details to follow.

For more information, please contact Liz Kay, 01828 686029.



Christian Aid Tay Bridge Cross takes place this year on **12th June**, from 2pm onwards. You may cross as many times as you like - it's a 3-mile round trip with great views of the Tay, suitable for all ages and abilities, and is wheelchair friendly. If you are interested in participating in this sponsored walk, please contact Alison Page (01382 562416, pageag@btinternet.com) before 22nd May or register online at the Christian Aid website, www.christianaid.org.uk

Inchtute & Kinnaird News continued

Inchtute & Kinnaird Development Questionnaires achieved a 10% return which, although a little disappointing, produced plenty of ideas and comments about what the churches could be doing for the future, and these, in turn, generated lively and interesting discussion at the Feedback Event at Inchtute Hotel on 10th March. A number of themes developed from the discussion, viz :

- Flexibility of buildings
- Alternative times/styles of worship
- Being proactive in our communities and being visible – not stuffy!
- Openness in communication
- Funding

A Steering Group was established to develop a draft Business Plan, for consultation as widely as possible with members of the community. Members of the Steering Group are: Rev Robbie Donald, Rev Liz Kay, Menna Jefferies, Mac Roberts, Lorna Tunstall, Alison Page, Patricia MacFadyen, Euan Smith, Nancy Robertson and Brenda Laing. The first meeting of the Steering Group will be **Tuesday 27th April** at 7.30pm in Inchtute Church.

GARDEN PLANTING FOR SPRINGTIME

First, plant 5 rows of peas

Prayer
Perseverance
Politeness
Promptness
Purity

Next, plant 3 rows of squash

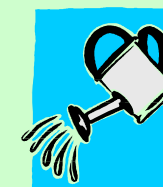
Squash gossip
Squash fault finding
Squash indifference

Then, plant 5 rows of lettuce

Let us be faithful
Let us be unselfish
Let us be truthful
Let us love one another
Let us follow Christ

Finally, no garden is complete without Turnips:

Turn up for church
Turn up with a smile
Turn up with new ideas
Turn up with determination to make everything count for something good and wonderful



Inchtire & Kinnaird News continued

Use your talents for Christian Aid



Christian Aid Week is fast approaching, taking place from **9th - 15th May**. The theme this year is all about 'Unleashing your Talent'. Whether you use your talent to bake a cake or climb a mountain, you can help fight poverty, one fundraising event at a time. Can you think of ways in which you can use your talents to raise funds?

Inchtire Church has decided this year to entice you with home baked goodies after the Sunday services in May and also to donate the 'Tea Money' for the month of May for the work of Christian Aid.

A Christian Aid envelope should be enclosed with your newsletter (they are also in the vestry) and can be returned to the church via any elder or the offering plate.

A 'baking volunteer' list is the vestry, please add your name and bring your offerings. Let us see your talents! [Alison]

THE BIG 60 ABSEIL

Sponsor **Pat Motion**, the Kinnaird Organist, on her 60th Birthday Abseil down Dundee University Tower Building on **Saturday 22nd May**, in aid of the Maggie Centre, Dundee.



Sponsor sheets are available in the church vestibule/vestry or donate online at www.justgiving.com/Patricia-Motion

Liz Kay will also be taking part.



Happy Birthday, Pat!

Inchtire & Kinnaird Ladies Group

Thank you to all who helped in any way with our Quiz Night, especially the contestants who tackled the questions (and the supper) with great enthusiasm!! It was a very enjoyable and successful evening, which raised £175 for church funds.

Our end of season supper is on **Thursday 22nd April**, 7pm for 7.30pm at Inchtire Hotel and, ladies, please bring along with you suggestions for next year's programme!

Abernyte News

Church Flowers

April 4	Mrs L Carr
April 11	Mrs T Neville
April 18	Mrs M Gordon
April 25	Mrs M Carr
May 2	Mrs L Kehrer
May 9	Mrs F Harrison
May 16	Mrs E Tosh
May 23	Mrs T Wilson
May 30	Miss Henderson
June 6	Mrs Janice Sands

Abernyte Women's Group

The final meeting of the current session is our AGM and Pot Luck Supper on **Tuesday 27th April**, at 7.30pm at the Old Mill, Knapp.



Duty Office-Bearers

April	Mrs A Davies Mr T Sands
May	Mr H Carr Mrs M Gray
June	Mr W White Mr W Ovens

Thank you, Linda and Fred

Kehrer, for the smart new notice-board.

What a transformation from the tired old one! Let's hope the swallows don't spoil it.



Abernyte Heritage Group

Annual Parish Walk - Saturday 10th April

Abernyte Circular Walk: Leave the Church at 10.00 am. Proceed to Tinkletop via Milton Farm. Walk along the brow of the hills dropping down to the Kinnaird Road at Outfield Road End (approx. 11.15am). Go North to Pitmiddle Hill and then to The Den at Whitehills, returning back to Abernyte Church.

If you do not wish to complete the circuit, you can do one half only. Please notify John Barton, 6686499, or Anne Davies, 686656, if you are intending to join us at Outfield Road End.

Please bring a packed lunch, stout footwear, but, sorry, no dogs!

The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

will meet from

Thursday 20th to Wednesday 26th May 2010.

Follow each day's events on the Church of Scotland website www.churchofscotland.org.uk

Abernyte News continued

Dr Mary Young

Mary Young, a member of Kinnaird Church, died peacefully on February 11th at Roxburghe House. Living midway between Kinnaird and Abernyte, she had an affiliation and affection for both communities.

For many years she was known as “The Egg Lady”. The money she earned from her egg sales funded her studies through university and she graduated in History. In 2004, she was awarded a PhD. Her book “Abernyte - the Quiet Revolution” is now recognised as an important reference book for students of social history.

She had a deep enquiring mind, keen to learn and willing to share her knowledge. She was loyal, reliable and full of fun. Mary believed strongly in the value of community life and was a wonderful friend to many. Our thoughts are with her son John.

A Memorial Service was held at Abernyte Church followed by interment at Bromfield Church, near Wigton, Cumbria. The high number of mourners at both these venues was a testimony to her character. Thanks be to God for her life.
[Anne Davies]



Monthly Luncheon Club - March Meeting



It is common knowledge that The Committee try to fulfil the wishes of members, particularly our gentlemen members. This month, after a “Tip off” from Jennifer at the Post Office, we succeeded in meeting their desires with our new Honorary Member, Simona. Simona is an attractive, young, single Italian lady who wants to practise English conversation with “interesting locals” in the Ballindean Area. And so, she’s come to us! While she is here, she has promised to sit at a different table every month. So Lads, never mind the aftershave at the next meeting on April 26th — just wear your kilt and you’ll be Pin up of the Day!!

This month’s lunch was delicious—Beef and light Yorkshire Puddings, whilst the Rice Pudding resulted in a fight to scrape the skin from the side of the dish.

See you next month! (Names to Mamie 686691, Anne 686656 or Jennifer at the PO by Wednesday 21st April).

Our May meeting is on Monday 31st—names by Wednesday 26th.

[Anne D.]

Inchture & Kinnaird News

Church Flowers

	Inchture	Kinnaird
April 11	Mrs D Dickinson	Mrs B Laing
April 18	Mrs H Crichton	Mrs E Wiseman
April 25	Mrs R Gibbon	Mrs B Ballingall
May 2	Mrs N Taylor	Mrs J Latham-Warde
May 9	Mrs M Urquhart	Mrs L Tinning
May 16	Mrs M Bruce	Mrs M Webster
May 23	Mrs D Steel	Mrs P Motion
May 30	Miss A Page	Mrs N Robertson
June 6	Mrs M Page	Mrs B Laing



Blythswood Care Highland Food Bank April Appeal

Blythswood Care Food Bank distributes emergency supplies of non-perishable food to people in crisis and, for a number of years, Kinnaird Church has supported this cause with Harvest Thanksgiving donations.

In 2009 the Food Bank helped over 3000 people, with the result that food supplies need to be quickly replenished, and Blythswood has contacted each supporting church with a request for donations of four specific items from their extensive “shopping list”. **The items requested from our congregation are: Packets of Oatcakes, Tinned Ham, Tinned Mince/ Stew and Tinned Fruit.**

At the Kirk Session meeting on 22nd March, it was agreed to invite members of Inchture and Kinnaird Churches to support this appeal by donating as many of these items as possible during the month of April.

Collection boxes will be placed in both churches from Sunday 11th April – so add a few extra things to your weekly shop – *every little helps!*



The **Stated Annual Meetings** for Inchture and Kinnaird congregations will take place on **Sunday 18th April**, after their respective morning services.

Inchture Sunday School would like to thank everyone who supported their Mother’s Day celebration. The event raised **£255 for Lemonaid**, a Scottish charity established in 2008 to undertake projects aimed at improving the lives of the people of Haiti. See their website www.lemonaid.org.uk for more information.

The Sunday School is having a short Easter break and **will resume on Sunday 18th April.**