

Church Services

	Kinnaird Abernyte	Inchture Longforgan
	9.30am 11.00am	9.45am 11.00am
February 7	Rev B Thomson	Rev J Roy
February 14	Rev R Donald	Rev B Thomson
February 21	Rev B Thomson	Rev R Donald
February 28	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
March 7	Rev J Roy	Rev L Kay
March 14	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
March 21	Rev B Thomson	Rev L Kay
March 28	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson

Services at Easter

Early Morning Service on Easter Sunday, 4th April 7am at Abernyte

Location still to be finalised—information will be publicised via Orders of Service, website and posters

Combined Easter Service for the Linkage Sunday 4th April, 11am at Abernyte Church

Please see page 5 for more details

Watoto Choir returns to Dundee

Broughty Ferry New Kirk – Friday 23rd April, 7pm
St Peter's Free Church – Saturday 24th April, 7pm

Tickets are FREE from Broughty Ferry New Kirk, Dundee, 01382 778874, revcollins@dsl.pipex.com; or St Peter's Church Office, 4 St Peter St, Dundee, 01382 807004; or CLC Bookshop, Whitehall Crescent, Dundee, 01382 226859

(An offering will be taken on the night to support the work of Watoto with children in Africa who have been orphaned through HIV/AIDS)

The deadline for the February/March edition of Church News is **Friday 26th March**

Please send to Moira Borwell, 8 Wheatfield Avenue, Inchture
t. 01828-686556; e. moiraborwell@dsl.pipex.com

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SC009839 Inchture & Kinnaird Parish Church of Scotland; SC012230 Longforgan Parish Church of Scotland

CHURCH

**February/
March
2010**

Abernyte

linked with

Inchture

&

Kinnaird

linked with

Longforgan

**CHURCH
OF
SCOTLAND**

Interim Moderator: Rev James
Tel 01382-

Associate Minister: Rev Robert
Tel 01382-

Locum Minister: Rev J Bruce
Tel 01821

Church Website

From the Interim Moderator

Dear Friends

Since this is the first issue of the magazine for 2010, may I take this opportunity, however belatedly, to wish you and our church a happy and prosperous New Year. A New Year and a fresh start for our congregations and for ourselves as individuals.

My hope is that by this time next year, a new Minister will have been inducted or be well on the way to being so. I am hopeful that in the next few weeks Presbytery will give us the necessary permission to begin the search. In February, we shall have a new Locum Minister in succession to the Rev Robin Rae (see panel opposite).

The Rev Jim Rogers has also indicated that he is unable to continue offering us regular pulpit supply and we are grateful to Dr Rogers for his assistance to us. In February we shall also lose, for a few months, the services of the Rev Robbie Donald who will be going into hospital for necessary surgery. We wish him well and look forward to his speedy return among us.

So, for the time being, I seem to be the last man standing in our original team, but I am confident that by the time summer comes we may be back to full ministerial strength.

I recently received an unsigned letter from a member expressing concern about the amount of vacancy information which we are circulating by means of the internet. My correspondent rightly points out that many members do not have access to a computer and therefore is concerned that s/he is being deprived of church news. I can understand the concern, but feel that it is unfounded. We are using every means of communication at our disposal – church newsletter and printed intimations, as well as our excellent new website, not forgetting word of mouth through our elders.

I want to reassure my correspondent and anyone else who may share the concern that there is no conspiracy to withhold news from our membership. On the contrary, we want all our members to be well informed about what is happening in our linkage. But we recognise that no system can ever be entirely perfect and I would welcome any suggestions as to how we might do even better. We want everyone to be as fully informed as possible about what is happening in our churches.

Please do feel free to contact me, anonymously if you prefer, by letter or telephone (or email), about any concerns you have.

With all good wishes and every blessing.

Your Interim Moderator

Jim Roy



Longforgan News conti

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In Girlguiding's Centenary Year, for former Longforgan Rainbows, started in Longforgan in the early Agnew, Millhill House and many

It is proposed that the reunion be like to identify as many people as event. We would like to hear from Units or knows someone who wa neighbour. Please contact either 360205 with names. Invitations v

It is hoped that current members celebration. They would like to le Longforgan and everyone would about your Guiding memories an hearing from as many people as

Bobbie Harris

With the death of Bobbie Harris in its most colourful and talented pa

As one of the land girls at the en with a certificate and badge which

Bobbie had many talents and inte sailed it even to Norway. She too She was a qualified advanced dri out even when she was past ridin than 25 years ago, she was still v and used to commute on a motor

In the village Bobbie was an activ and joined in the country dancing She was an accomplished needle the 'Modwenna Banner'. She wa excellent secretary.

Above all Bobbie had a strong pe Longforgan Church, but reserving linkage when she felt like it!

Although, towards the end of her the things she loved, she still ma Longforgan.

Longforgan News

Church Flowers

We are indebted to the following for the provision of flowers in the Church in February and March:

February 7	Dr C Duff
February 14	Mrs A Addison
February 21	Dr J Ferguson
February 28	Mrs J Forbes
March 7	Mrs B Cuthbert
March 14	Mrs L Scahill
March 21	Mrs C Pringle
March 28	Mrs A Smith



Time to spare?

Would some handy person(s) with the ability to put in the odd screw, change light bulbs and do other minor repairs be willing to give their time to help with these types of jobs in the Church/Hall? If you would be able to help, please contact Mairi Mitchell, 01382 360436.

Longforgan Guild

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 24th February** at 7.15pm in the Church Hall, when we will have a talk on the project "On the Other Side" which supports the work Crossreach does with prisoners' families.

Our final meeting of the current session is our Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 24th March** at 7.15pm

THE POP IN



The "Pop In" started in November in Longforgan Church Hall and is proving popular. Open every Wednesday morning from 8.45am till 10am, we serve coffee/tea and hot buttered toast for 50p. Young, old (and in-between!) are all welcome.

This is a worthwhile project and most enjoyable so if there is anyone who could spare 2 hours (8.15am to 10.15am) to help on a Wednesday every 6 weeks or so, I should be delighted to hear from them.

[Winifred White, 360681]

Longforgan Parish Church
Stated Annual Meeting
will take place on
Sunday 28th March
at 12noon after Morning Worship

Cleaner required

Longforgan Church and Parish Hall has a vacancy for a Cleaner – 3 hours per week.



Please contact the Church Officer, Miss Mairi Mitchell, 01382 360436, or the Hall Keeper, Mrs Margaret Anderson, 01382 360467.

Locum Minister

We welcome Rev J Bruce Thomson as our Locum Minister in a Linked Charge. Rev Thomson is on leave from 15th February and will take up his duties from 1st March.

Rev Liz Kay will take over the duties of the Locum Minister during Rev Thomson's absence which will begin late February.

Any queries relating to these appointments should be sent to the Moderator, Rev James A Roy, T. 01382 360436.

Presentation Lunch

Rev Robin Rae and his wife Sheila are to be guests of honour at a presentation lunch in the Kinnaird Room at Inchturre Hotel on **Sunday 21st February at 12.30pm** (2 or 3 courses at £15/£19) to which all members of the linkage congregations are invited. Please inform Neil Cuthbert (neil@neilcuthbert.com) or Mairi Mitchell, 01382 360436 if you would like to attend (numbers are required by Friday 19th).

Souper Sunday

As part of a nationwide Church of Scotland "Souper Sunday" event on 10th January, a presentation to raise awareness of the work of the Church led by the Associate Minister, Mairi Mitchell, was held at Inchturre Village Hall. The sum of £1000 towards the Church of Scotland was raised. Thanks go to all concerned for their attendance and contributions. It was a wonderful opportunity for our four congregations to pray and fellowship.

The Church News can be found on www.carsechurch.org

Monthly Luncheon Club

In January 2009, Mrs. McAlpine asked me if she could bring a friend along to our meeting on 25th January. You can imagine my surprise when I discovered that her "Friend" was a large framed print of Robert Burns. He looked down on us as we enjoyed our haggis and then we raised our glasses in a toast.



This year, courtesy of Derek McAlpine, Robert Burns looked down on us again as we tucked into our haggis. And then we raised our glasses in a toast to Robert Burns, Jean McAlpine, Bert Urquhart and Bobbie Harris. Don't forget us next year, Derek!

The next meeting of the Luncheon Club is on **Monday 22nd February**—names to Mamie, 686691, Anne, 686656, or Jennifer at the Post Office by Wednesday 17th, please. In March, we'll be meeting on Monday 29th—names by the 24th!

[Anne D]

Parish Register

Wedding

12/12/09 Siân Jefferies to Brian Wann, at Inchtüre

Funerals

14/12/09 William MacDonald, Longforgan

11/01/10 Robert Alexander (Bert) Urquhart, Inchtüre

Memorial Service

31/01/10 Bobbie Harris, Longforgan



Kirk Session Meetings

Abernyte	Thursday 18th March, 7pm (Congregational Board also meets at 7pm)
Inchtüre & Kinnaird Longforgan	To be arranged Tuesday 23rd March, 7pm in Hall of Friendship

Walking Group—Dates for your Diary!



Friday 5th March – meal at Inchtüre Hotel at 7pm. Two courses with tea/coffee and shortbread for £13. Names to Liz, 01828 686029.

At the time of printing the newsletter, the programme of walks was not completely finalised, but the dates are as follows:

**20th April, 18th May, 15th June, 20th July, 17th August
& 21st September**

(all Tuesdays, meeting at Inchtüre Church car park at 6.15pm)

Further details will be available shortly on the website and Orders of Service, and, of course, future newsletters.

Inchtüre & Kinnaird News

Bert Urquhart

Born at Middlebank on 15 August 1914, Bert grew up on the farm owned by his father. He attended Kinnaird School, walking there a distance of 1 1/2 miles. At the age of 14, he walked to Inchtüre and wanted an apprentice and so started work in the village. Over that 65 year period he became a character of the village, a real

During Bert's National Service in 1936 he was a regular soldier attached to the Fife Rifles. He married in Inchtüre Church in 1938. In 1961 when Mr Sinclair retired from his business, taking over as joiner and

As a craftsman, Bert was second to none in his workmanship throughout the village. He had the baptismal font and a special job of odd jobs and repair work undertaken by him. He was a Senior Elder and a member of the Convener. He was a Senior Elder with a wealth of experience, and although a small man, his faith shone through his manner. He was warm, his love and his laughter were infectious.

Bert loved to socialise and had a great love of his bowls and became a member of the Bowling Club, winning many trophies. He was a member of the Curling Club for many years and

He had a great love of Scottish music and was a member of the band from Jimmy Shand in Dundee. One of his proudest moments was when he was awarded the "Inchtüre" especially for him called the "Inchtüre"

Many people will have met Bert at the church services as an undertaker. This was not only his professionalism but his right thing, to take care of arrangements that might arise. He worked quietly and

Bert leaves behind Mavis, his wife, Anne, their two sons Lachlan and Daniel and his partner Kate, and a sad time.

Inchture & Kinnaird News continued

Inchture Sunday School invites you to join them on **Mother's Day, Sunday 14th March**, in Inchture Village Hall at 10.45am for tea/coffee and goodies!! There will also be a Sales Table. All proceeds will be donated to a charity supporting work in Haiti.



So far the Advent Calendar challenges have raised £152.41 – it's not too late to hand in your donation – just pop it in a suitably marked envelope into the church offering plate.

Inchture & Kinnaird Kirk Session News

At our Kirk Session on Tuesday 19th January the following items were discussed:

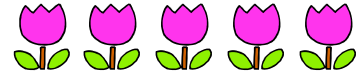
- The Sunday School held a successful Christmas Party in the Village Hall in December, and will host a Coffee/Tea event in the Village Hall after the Mothers Day Service on 14th March.
- Our Joint Souper Sunday Service raised £390.55 for the Church of Scotland HIV/AIDS Project and brought our congregations together not only in worship, but in fellowship after the service. The joint Sunday Schools also enjoyed their time together!
- A bequest of £1379.21 has been received from the will of Robert Murdoch John. In the past, Mr John has donated funds for the gates and railings in the Memorial garden, and we are very appreciative of this bequest.
- Kirk Session agreed that collections from the Watchnight Service (£94.20), Christmas Day (£258.58) and the open plate from Souper Sunday (£149.20) should be donated to the DEC Haiti appeal (£501.98) to aid in the aftermath of the recent earthquake.
- The Development Committee will distribute questionnaires to the communities of Inchture & Kinnaird during the week 17th -24th February. These can be returned to designated boxes by 7th February. We hope people will make an effort to make their views known on the future of our churches!
- Rev Robbie Donald will take leave of absence from the end of February and Rev Liz Kay will take over his ministerial duties from this date.
- Finally, as a Kirk Session, we paid tribute to Bert Urquhart, a popular and long serving elder of Inchture Church. His contributions, both practical and spiritual, will long be remembered.

[Menna Jefferies, Session Clerk]

Abernyte News

Church Flowers

February 7	Mrs E Havranek
February 14	Mrs J Smith
February 21	Mrs F Cumming
February 28	Miss M Carr
March 7	Mrs E Strickland
March 14	Miss J McGregor
March 21	Mrs J McSwan
March 28	Mrs A Fleming
April 4	Mrs L Carr



Duty Office-Bearers

February	Mr D Ramsay Mrs R Havranek
March	Mr G Foubister Mrs M Gray



Soup will be served after the Service on 7th February, 7th March and Easter Sunday 4th April.

Abernyte Women's Group

meetings are as follows:-

Tuesday 23rd February (West Lodge at 2pm) - Card Making with Julia Robertson

Tuesday 30th March (Dundriven at 7.30pm) - "Holy Land" – speaker Margaret Soutar

New members are always welcome - more information can be obtained from Gill Irvine, 686509.

Abernyte News continued

Happy New Year from Abernyte Sunday School!



We started off the year with a trip to Inchturre for the "Souper Sunday" service. Thank you to everyone in Inchturre for making us feel so welcome. We had a great time and are hoping that we can meet up more often in future. The lovely frieze that we made together is now on display in Abernyte church, so pop in and have a look before it makes its way on to Longforgan.

We are looking forward to the Spring term. **Our dates for this term** (which were published in the last newsletter) **have changed** due to unforeseen circumstances so we will now be meeting on **February 14th and 28th and March 14th and 28th** at the usual time of 10am.

Finally we would like to thank everyone who made our Christmas play, "The star who was afraid to shine" such a success. The children worked very hard and did a great job, as did our fantastic musicians, Margaret, Ron and Anne. The "little stars" who came along and joined in on the day were extremely cute - we hope they enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed seeing them!

If you would like more information about Sunday School, please phone Esther (686311) or Natasha (686090). We'd love to hear from you.

Publicising Abernyte Church Events

Over the last few years, details of local church events have been posted on the website and "What's On". Posters are also displayed on the village notice-board and church notice-board. If you are unable to access information from these sources, please get in touch with your elder, who will add your name to those who need to be informed.



Fairtrade Fortnight 2010 22nd February to 7th March

For this year's Fairtrade Fortnight, the nation is being asked to join in **The Big Swap**, swapping our usual stuff for Fairtrade stuff – our usual bananas for Fairtrade bananas, our usual cotton socks for Fairtrade cotton socks and our usual cuppa for a Fairtrade cuppa. This means that every time you go shopping you can use your wallet to make a stand. Every swap will be proof that the people of the UK want producers in the developing world to get a fairer deal.



Log on to www.fairtrade.org.uk/thebigswap for more information.

Inchturre & Kinnaird

Church Flowers

	Inchturre
February 7	Mrs K Anderson
February 14	Mrs J. Ramsay
February 21	Mrs Agnes Smith
February 28	Mrs J Lowden
March 7	Mrs D Dickinson
March 14	Mrs R Campbell
March 21	Mrs J Moon
March 28	The Ford Family

Inchturre & Kinnaird Ladies' Group

At our January meeting, we all thoroughly enjoyed Liz Kay's interesting slideshow of her holiday in India and Nepal. Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 17th February** at 7.30pm in Inchturre Vestry, when we will be having a talk on the work of The Samaritans.

Following last year's success, we will be having another open Quiz Night on **March 10th** – see panel opposite for details.

New members are most welcome to come along and join our friendly group. For more information, please contact Liz Wiseman on 01738-860272.

Church Development Questionnaire

Hopefully, by the time you are returned the questionnaire which we look forward to reading your views on. The results will be analysed and a feedback event will be held at 7.30pm in Inchturre Hotel, to which all members of the Church Development Group will then be formed to take part in. [The collecting boxes will be in p...