



CHURCH NEWS

June - July 2011

Church Services

	Kinnaird Abernyte	Inchtire Longforgan
	9.30am 11.00am	9.45am 11.00am
June 5	Rev R Donald	Rev Dr M MacLean
June 12	Rev Dr M MacLean	Rev R Donald
June 19	Rev R Donald	Rev W Strachan
June 26	Rev Dr M MacLean	Rev R Donald
July 3	Rev R Donald	Rev Dr M MacLean
July 10	Rev L Kay	Rev R Donald
July 17	Rev R Donald	Rev Rev L Kay
July 24	Rev W Strachan	Rev R Donald
July 31	Rev R Donald	Rev M MacLean

Church Website

www.carsechurches.com

Our Beautiful Parish.

Take advantage of the summer weather to photograph your favourite part or view of the Parish.

Send in your pictures with a sentence or two about them saying where they are. It is hoped that we can produce a calendar showing our parishes over the year which could be sold as a fundraiser.

Look at the gallery to see what has been sent in already

Send yours to mail@carsechurches.com.

The newsletter can be read on the website.

The deadline for the August/ September edition of Church News is **Friday 22nd July**. Please send contributions to Isabel Taylor, Delvine, 21 Main Street, Longforgan, DD2 5ET. 01382-360237; email - idbtaylor@hotmail.com

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From the Minister:

A new minister arrives in a new community (or in our case several communities) and has to try to find out everything that happens: organisations, schools, places of work, connections between people, stories and histories. And when that task is begun (it is never ended), the minister has to work out what will require most effort and where there seem to be gaps in church life.

At that point the minister has to remember that he or she has been appointed not to govern but to lead. The Kirk Sessions govern; they make the official policy decisions, and bring their deep local knowledge to that role. The minister leads; he or she tries to energise those who will perform the church's work in that congregation. And that is another truth for the minister to bear humbly in mind: that what the church does is whatever its members do, and it wouldn't achieve much if it counted only what one paid office-bearer does in their working life.

That little sketch of the place of a new minister should make it clear what I am doing in these early weeks of the new job. As promised last time, I am meeting as many people as I can in their own homes; and as I write I have covered about one sixth of the membership (predominantly the elders and office-bearers) so far. I am picking up some knowledge of people's talents and interests, and getting a sense of the vast human resources these congregations possess and often use wisely.

I am looking out for people in every age-group, and noticing the age-ranges that seem least represented in church life, amongst the adult generations and not just the children and teenagers. Speaking of children, we now have active chaplaincies continuing or re-started in all the Primary Schools. And speaking of adults, are there any candidates for a membership class? Let me know.

As I write I am about to begin finding out about our Kirk Sessions, and plan to encourage them to organise their work so that compelling causes and big issues can be engaged with passionately – or, as someone once put it in a grand Edinburgh committee, 'Kirk Sessions should do important things and not just business'.

And one other thing is occupying the minds of minister and office-bearers, and that is transition to a new ministry team after Robbie Donald's retiral later this year. He will remain a friend of this charge, popping in to its pulpits once in a while. Other characters, familiar and probably new, will join me in that leadership role I've described.

Let me know what you are thinking about anything I've said, whether here or in a pulpit or in your home.

With best wishes,

Marjory

Longforgan News continued

Church Flowers

June 5	Miss Mairi Mitchell
June 12	Mrs G Christie
June 19	Mrs A Todd
June 26	Miss H Greig
July 3	Mrs C Speed
July 10	Wedding flowers
July 17	Mrs M Reid
July 24	Mrs J Mulheron
July 31	Mrs J Coleman
August 7	Mrs A Milne



The Flower List for 2011 has some empty spaces in November. Anyone wishing to provide flowers for these dates, or give a donation to the Flower Fund, please contact Margaret Wilson 01382 360295.



"PERHAPS I COULD EXPLAIN AGAIN WHAT I MEANT BY 'SHARED LEADERSHIP'..."

Church Officer

The Kirk Session of Longforgan is happy to welcome Mrs Jane Coleman, 29 Findlay Drive, Longforgan to the position of Church Officer.

Jane's phone number is 01382 360800

Longforgan Parish Church Guild

The Guild Outing to Dunfermline is on Friday 17th June. The bus leaves the School at 12 noon.



The Pop In

By popular demand the Pop-In will continue to serve tea and toast, or coffee and biscuits, throughout the summer holidays, 6th July to the 10th August inclusive, on a Wednesday morning from 10-11am.



It is good to have somewhere in the village where you can go for a coffee and a chat.

£500 has been raised from the proceeds of the Pop-In. At 50p a time this is terrific. The volunteer helpers have decided to divide the money between The Brae, Dundee, an independent charity group that is part of national Riding for the Disabled Association, and Sense Scotland, a service supporting children and adults with complex needs because of deafblindness or sensory impairment, learning disability or physical disability. Sense Scotland provides special help with communication, information, learning and mobility for people who are deafblind, or have sensory impairment and other difficulties.

The 'helpers' from the School do a great job. Their presence is much appreciated by volunteers and customers alike.

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was late for a meeting and could not find a space. He put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. 'Forgive us our trespasses'."

When he returned he found a citation from the traffic warden along with this note, "I've circled this block 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. 'Lead us not into temptation'"

Parish Register

Baptisms

24/04/11 Harris Jefferies Kelly and Charlie Jefferies Kelly, at Inchture

01/05/11 Henry Archie McLellan, at Inchture

Marriages

23/04/11 Andrew Edwin Carr to Lorraine Susan Knowles, at Abernyte

07/05/11 Andrew Brian Allan to Tanya Leigh Inocco, at Inchture

14/05/11 Rachel Cook to Innes Grant Jordan, at Longforgan

Funeral

10/05/11 Dorothy Alice Dixon, at Inchture

To mark the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible (the Authorised Version)

Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; where there is knowledge it shall vanish away,

For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face; now I know in part; but then I shall know even as also I am known.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

(1 Corinthians Chapter 13)

The Walking Group

If you are new to the area, or have been around for a while, and are interested in walking with us you are welcome to join our group. We are a friendly bunch who enjoy good company and a good laugh.

Walks vary from the seriously strenuous to the positively gentle --something to suit everyone.

On 21st June we go to Scone where there is a choice of walks to suit all abilities. We finish up at Vicky's for tea and muffins.

The 19th July is BBQ night when we have a flat walk following the pows around Inchturre lasting about 45—50 minutes, finishing up behind the Village Hall for a BBQ.

All walks leave from Inchturre Church at 6.15pm. Children and dogs are welcome unless restrictions are intimated.

For further information phone Liz 01828 686029 or Linda 01828 686233.



The Monthly Luncheon Club

The Luncheon Club is successful for so many reasons—the delightful clientele who pay on the nail (sorry, 'at the door!'), chat away and clear their plates, as their mothers ordered them to do so many years ago, the excellent meals and varied menu provided by the Horseshoe Café and the kindly 'volunteers' who give their services so willingly before sitting down to their lunch. The grateful appreciation of the members for this local facility makes it all worthwhile.

We thank the Inchturre Village Hall Committee, especially Trish and Rosemary, for organising the upgrading of the kitchen—especially the purchase of the dishwasher.

The next Luncheon Club is on 27th June, names to Mamie 01828 686691, Anne 01828 686656 or Jennifer at the Post Office.

Please note there are no Luncheon Club meetings in July and August; 26th September is the start of the 2011-12 season.

Anne Davies

Inchturre & Kinnaird News continued

Charity Spring Fayre at Kinnaird



Two feet of snow and sub-zero temperatures in December last year mutated the proposed Christmas Fayre at Kinnaird Church into the Charity Spring Fayre held on 30th March 2011.

This was a joint initiative between Inchturre and Kinnaird Churches with All Saints' Episcopal Church in Glencarse. The aim was to bring the church communities together and raise funds for chosen charities as well as for our churches and much of the success was due to the enthusiasm, imagination and creativity of the combined organising committee.

An impressive £1600 was raised which was shared between Dundee Carers Organisation, Princess Royal Trust Carers Centre, Perth, All Saints' Episcopal Church and Inchturre/ and Kinnaird Churches. The four cheques were presented on the 8th April outside Kinnaird Church.

Thanks go to all – the chutney and jam makers, the craft makers, all the yummy home baking, to the raffle prize donors, the generous sponsors from local businesses, the stall holders, the refreshment teams, the ticket sellers, and all who helped in any way.

And thank you to everyone who came on the day, it would not have been a success without you. We hope you enjoyed it.



Church Flowers

	Inchturre	Kinnaird
June 5	Mrs M Page	Mrs N Robertson
June 12	Mrs M McKay	Mrs J Scott-Adie
June 19	Mrs S Lamond	Mrs M Webster
June 26	Mrs W Daly	Mrs I Miller
July 3	Mrs N Low	Mrs B Laing
July 10	Mrs A Scott	Mrs E Cameron
July 17	Mrs M Marnoch	Mrs E Wiseman
July 24	Mrs A Legge	Mrs E Harrison
July 31	Rev L Kay	Mrs C Brough

Inchtire & Kinnaird News

Souper Sunday

On March 27th Inchtire and Kinnaird Churches came together to share a bread and soup lunch in aid of the Church of Scotland HIV/AIDS project. The Service was taken by Rev R Donald and Elders, focusing on the continuous work that is being carried out in areas of need.



During the Service we were also given a very informative and colourful presentation by Hazel Smith about her visit to Uganda with Menziesshill High School and the valuable supportive work that they managed to accomplish during their time in the country. Thanks to Hazel for adding depth to our Service.

£228.02 was collected during lunch, and £197 of this was gift-aided which means that the Project will benefit by approximately £50 more. Last but certainly not least, a big thank you to Rosemary Campbell and her superb soup-makers whose contributions made for a very enjoyable lunch!

Inchtire & Kinnaird Kirk Session News

Inchtire & Kinnaird Kirk Session met at Kinnaird Church on 24th May and the following items were included in the Business Agenda:

- John Smith and Loma Tunstall will represent Session in a briefing meeting in early June to discuss the self-audit document 'Angel of the Church'. This meeting will equip them to guide our congregations in making their unique contribution to developing a Presbytery Plan for the future.
- Future purchases for the Churches are to include a projector for audio visual presentations, new lecterns for both Churches and a notice board for Inchtire.
- A Harvest Ceilidh will be held in Inchtire - venue and date to be arranged.
- The Treasurer reported that a legacy of £11,812.20 had been received from the estate of the late Mary McFarlane.
- The Development Committee has distributed a leaflet for the congregation outlining the scope of work and funding proposals intended for the development of Inchtire Church.
- An informative question and answer session was then held at Inchtire Church on Sunday 22nd May. Information is available on the website and the leaflet is available from ltunstall@btconnect.com
- The Ladies Group postponed their March Concert and this will now take place in October.
- Next Kirk Session will take place on 27th September 7pm at Inchtire.

Spring Concert

Cantiones Sacrae

Sunday 5th June at 7.30pm

A concert featuring a selection of favourite pieces including music by Byrd, Gibbons, Dowland, Lotti, Wilton, Palestrina and Tallis

in

St Salvador's Church, Dundee

Tickets £7/£5 from Dundee City Box Office, City Square

Tel no: 01382 34940

✚ STARTER PACKS DUNDEE

...supported by the Churches

Isabel has handed me the task of reporting on Starter Packs. As I have been Convener of the Management Committee for nearly a year, she has been kind to me.

The past year has been a difficult time for Starter Packs as Lloyds TSB and other major funders suspended their charitable giving. I am pleased to report that we have managed to source funding from various sources and are ready to embark on another year more optimistically.

As ever there is a need for household goods, particularly bedding and towels but also pots, pans, crockery, toiletries, cleaning materials, tin- openers, etc.

Just look around your kitchen and count up what it would cost to replace everything at the same time and you will appreciate what a help a 'starter pack' is to a needy person or family moving into a new home.

Starter Packs wish to thank Sheena Lamond of Inchtire Church for the generous donation from fund-raising at her work-place. The money will be used to buy those essential goods which are not often donated.

Pat Motion

**Music at St Paul's Cathedral
Lunchtime Concerts**

11th June: Derek Buchan—Piano

25th June Jean Fletcher—violin

Tickets: Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children £2 at the door.

Coffee/tea served after each concert

Cappella Nova

Holy Gardens

A bouquet of music on the theme of spiritual gardens...

Missa 'Descendi in hortum meum' - Antoine Brumel

Descendi in hortum meum à 7—Cipriano da rore

Motets by Taerner, Plummer and Robert Johnson

And anonymous 16th century Scots

Plainsong sung by the Scottish Plainsong Choir

And featuring...

Holy of Holies - Judith Bingham

Saturday 18th June at 7.30pm

Tickets: £12.50 (concessions £10) available from
Dundee City Box Office, 6 City Sq. — Tel: 01382 434940

Westown Chapel

Westown Church, on the road between Kinnaird and Westown, was probably built in the 16th century when it was known as Wast-town, Kirk of the Blessed Vrgin of Inchmatine.

For many years this little church was a ruin, neglected and covered with ivy, but lately it has been adopted as a conservation project supported by Perth and Kinross Council and Historic Scotland. Volunteers have cleared vegetation from the building. What is now visible is a well-built stone building with walls over a metre thick. There are two carved doorways and three carved windows, all of which have differing details. It is well worth a detour to have a look.

The Trust is hoping to carry out similar work at other ruinous churches in the Carse and have already carried out work at Rait and Kinfauns.
Isabel Taylor

Abernyte News

Abernyte Sunday School

Will meet on June 12th and 26th in Abernyte Church at 10am for stories, music and games.



Everyone is welcome, but if you are under four please bring a grown-up with you.

Any queries call Esther (01828 868311) or Natasha (01828 686090)

Duty Office-Bearers

June Mrs A Davies
Mrs J Stewart

July Mr G Foubister
Mr W Owens



Coffee Morning

Anne Davies copied Longforgan's 'Pop-In' slogan and invited all and sundry to an Impromptu Coffee Morning on Saturday 21st May.

With the minimum of fuss and the minimum amount of washing up, over £200 was raised for Christian Aid.

Thank you to all who helped to make it a worthwhile and enjoyable event.



Church Flowers

June 5	Mrs E Strickland
June 12	Miss J McGregor
June 19	Mrs J McSwan
June 26	Mrs E McGoldrick
July 3	Mrs A Fleming
July 10	Mrs T Neville
July 17	Mrs M Gray
July 24	Mrs M Gordon
July 31	Mrs M Carr