

DUNLOP DIARY



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Dear friends and neighbours,

Along with almost everyone else in and around Dunlop, I've been tuning in to Channel 4 of a Friday evening to watch Deadwater Fell. At the time of writing, we are two episodes in, and the plot is looking ever more complex. I'd be struggling to follow it anyway, as I'm probably more absorbed in looking out for familiar places and faces than keeping track of the to-ing and fro-ing of the action, which moves from past to present and back again.

It is quite a strange experience to watch this drama as it's a mixture of the familiar and the new. We recognise friends and neighbours, our streets, houses, the school and the church - and yet it is all at the same time, changed and unfamiliar. As I said in church on Sunday morning, this confusing mix of old and new must have been what it was like for those people who first encountered Jesus. The familiar words of the Hebrew scriptures were invoked by and about a man who was doing the unexpected, the unanticipated.

And just as we are drawn into the scriptures by stories of people and places, so too have we been drawn to watch our own places and our own people on screen in an unfamiliar, and as yet unresolved story. By the time you receive this February copy of Dunlop Diary the plot will have been unravelled and explained, but in the meantime, while the printing presses are got ready, I'm looking forward to Friday and scanning the TV for familiar people and places.

And enjoying the unfamiliar sight of Main Street with no cars!

Wishing you the comfort of the familiar
and the challenge of the new,

Alison

Dunlop Kirk –Services and Events

All warmly welcomed

Sunday Morning Worship – 11.30 am

Sunday Crèche – 11.30 am

Sunday School – 11.30 am

Exploring the Bible, Tuesdays in Caldwell Vestry 10.30am

Congregational Board and Kirk Session meet in the rear church hall on Thursday, 30th January at 7.30 pm.

Dunlop Messy Church Saturday 25th January, Saturday, 29th February and Saturday, 28th March from 4 - 6pm in Dunlop Church Hall.

**Stories, games, arts and crafts, followed by a meal together.
Children must bring an adult with them! Come and join in the fun!**



CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers
Feb 2nd	Doris Livingstone	Marilyn Bell
9th	Janette Miller	Mike Blyth
16th	Free	Carol Fraser
23rd	Susan Shorrocks	June Minnery
March 1st	Anne Sinclair	Lynn Moss
8th	Carolyn Blyth	Roy Wyllie
15th	Margaret Hunter	Netta Howie
22nd	Bertha Horne	Brian McGaw
29th	Kristeen Hare	Anne Sinclair

If anyone would like to put flowers in Church please get in touch with Janette Picken as I have a few free Sundays in 2020 . I can be contacted on (01560 484806) or of course at Church.

Deaths

Mr Tam Smith	December 2019
Mrs Ida Wilkie	December 2019
Mr Billy Cuthbertson	December 2019
Mrs Ann Mundell	December 2019
Miss Vicky Sanderson	December 2019
Mr Bill McTaggart	December 2019

“Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted”

There will be a **Safeguarding training update session** for volunteers in crèche, Sunday School and Circle of Care on **Sunday 2 February in John Knox Church** from 2.00pm -5.00pm (approx.)

Should you wish to attend, please contact Jess Duncan on 484050.

The retiring offering for Erskine Hospital after the 11 November Remembrance Sunday service raised £433.54.

The retiring collection after the Watch Night Service raised £218.

Welcome Teams

February

Mike Blyth
Carolyn Blyth
David Clement
Carol Fraser
Netta Howie
Isabel Kerr
Mitchell Wilson

March

Jimmy Howie
Douglas Bell
Marilyn Bell
John Campbell
Alison Howie
Andrew Pinkerton
Linda Pinkerton

Creche Rota

Feb 2nd Graham Kilgour & Anne Miller
9th Marilyn Bell & Maureen Jackson
16th Annette Brown & Isabel Kerr
23rd Graham Gilgour & Isabel Kerr
Mar 1st Ruth Wilson & Anne Sinclair
8th Maureen Jackson & Graham Kilgour
15th Anne Miller & Netta Howie
22nd Alison Howie & Netta Howie
29th Anne Sinclair & Netta Howie

GUILD

28th Scots Tea
January Debbie & Miriam & Friends

FEBRUARY

11th Coco Chanel
Wendy Sandiford
25th St Columba's Interguild
Photography Film

Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends

Our first meeting for 2020 will be Thursday 13th February.
We have a new start time this year of **1.30pm**.
Our theme is Valentines Day.
Music by Eddie, Andy and Bill.
Come along and meet old friends and make new friends.
We will have singing, dancing and some new ideas.
Tea, coffee and home baking.
Contact Susan 01560 482109

Christmas Appeal East Ayrshire Churches Homelessness Action:

on the middle two Sundays in December we delivered two car loads of beautifully wrapped Christmas gifts, bags of food and cash donations of £200.

Janice Grant, EACHa organiser was delighted with Dunlop's help with over 2000 gifts and 110 food parcels from East Ayrshire Churches distributed in time for Christmas.

We appreciate the support this appeal always receives from the congregation and the wider community. Thank you all.

DUNLOP GALLERY

Our exhibition in February will be showing the work of the Tuesday Dunlop Art Group. It will run from Thursday the 6th of February to Wednesday the 4th of March. Do pop in to the Conservatory Cafe to view our local artists work. For more info contact Ellenor on 07811045600 or Shiona on 07506951620.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

Can you help? We have formed a small group and will be collaborating with Dunlop Kirk and Dunlop Primary School to have displays of poppies in the village for the time around Remembrance Sunday.

If you can help please contact Diane Wilson on 01560 483612 or come and join our Facebook page, *Dunlop and Lugton Poppies*. Please speak to Diane or anyone in the group for help with patterns for either knitting or crochet.

Thanks.

Dunlop Community Cinema

Dunlop Community Cinema started the new year with a bang thanks to our sell-out showing of 'Deadwater Fell'. Hope you all enjoyed spotting yourselves, family and friends in the first episode and hope to see you all again on Friday 31st for the final episode.

As Sunday 2nd Feb is Groundhog Day, it seemed the perfect choice of film for a fundraiser for SAMH (*Scottish Association for Mental Health*). Come along and donate to a great cause. Doors open at 2.30pm.

Our next Friday night film will be 'Peanut Butter Falcon' on Friday 21st Feb. A comedy adventure about a young man with Down Syndrome who runs away from a residential home to realise his dream of becoming a pro-wrestler. On his journey, he meets a wayward fisherman and they both head to wrestling school, pursued by a concerned social worker. A buddy movie with a real Huck Finn feel, it'll warm the cockles of your heart. Doors open at 7.30 and the usual snacks and refreshments will be on offer. Hope to see you there.

Dunlop and District Community Company

At the recent AGM of the company Sheila Wyllie, Alan Porter and Pat Douglas who had all been co-opted as directors during the year had to stand down. All were re-elected to the board. In addition Trish Goudy, Brian McGaw and Callum Alldridge were elected as directors.

Sue Scott, who was standing down as a director, was thanked for all her work. Sue will remain on the committee involved in organising the Community Cinema.

Douglas Bell, Convenor



Stewarton Youth & Community Centre

7 Standalane, Stewarton, KA3 5BG

Saturday 22nd February

10am - 1pm

Quick and easy CPR and defibrillator training
provided by St John Scotland

Everyone welcome!



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WEDNESDAY COFFEE



Re-starts on Wednesday 5th February

in rear church hall

10.00am—11-30am

Come along for coffee and chat

All Welcome

No charge but donations welcome

See Irene 484213 or Marilyn 482966