

From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

November 2017

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Dear friends and neighbours,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Service at the very start of October, and many thanks are due to Mrs Wilson and the children of the Primary School Choir who sang so well, and who encouraged us all to sing along with the Shopping Trolley song! Our service was followed by a much appreciated soup and sandwich lunch in the village hall, where there was much chatter and laughter. Many thanks to all the soup and sandwich makers, and those who served.

In November, the congregations of Dunlop and Caldwell Parish Churches will welcome Robbie Morrison, Regional Mission Development Worker with the Church of Scotland, who will guide us through a process called Future Focus. This might sound a little daunting, but other congregations who've already taken part in Future Focus have found it a very positive experience, and enjoyed the chance to come together and talk about the life of their church, and their hopes and dreams for the future. As I have already mentioned in church, my own very brief explanation of this is that it's an opportunity for us to talk about the past, the present and the future of our congregational life, with the emphasis very much on the future.

Every member of the congregation is invited to take part in Future Focus, and it is really important that your voices are heard. The first meeting will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday, 14th November, from 7 - 9pm. The second meeting, a week later, on Tuesday, 21st November, will be held in the Mure Hall, Uplawmoor, and transport will be provided. The third meeting will see us back in Dunlop on Saturday, 25th November from 12.30pm.—4pm.

More information about Future Focus is in the leaflets available at church, or you could have a look at some of the very short videos about it on https://www.resourcingmission.org.uk/mission/future-focus-future-focus-video-faq.

Future Focus is for the whole congregation. Please come along and take part!

Wishing you all every blessing,

Alison

CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers
Nov 5th	Janice McGregor	Bob Brown
12th	Joan Howie	Anne Sinclair
19th	Morag McNaught	Marilyn Bell
26th	Margaret & Emily	Lynn Davidson
Dec 3rd	Betty Robertson	Alistair Martin
10th	Jess Duncan	Roy Wyllie
17th	Aileen Howie	Netta Howie
26th	Ann Howatson	Nativity
31st	Dorothy Brown	Simon Gill

Welcome Teams

November	December
Annette Brown	Alan Young
Elizabeth Garrity	Fred Dinning
Jennifer Hunter	Liz Dinning
Alistair Martin	Kirsten Hare
Brian McGaw	Jim Mundell
David Mitchell	Fiona Thomson
Anne Sinclair	Anne Young

Creche Rota

5th November Linda Pinkerton & Isabel Kerr 12th November Netta Howie & Aileen Dunlop 19th November Pamela Young & Anne Sinclair 26th November Pamela Young & Graham Kilgour 3rd December Linda Pinkerton & Isabel Kerr 10th December Anne Sinclair & Isabel Kerr

Church Services:

Morning Worship every Sunday morning at 11:30am. All welcome.

Crèche and Sunday School meet in the church at 11:30am.

12th November 2017 - Remembrance Sunday 11:30am and 12:30 at the War Memorial.

Guild

NOVEMBER

7th Edward & Mrs Simpson

Wendy Sandiford

14th Committee meeting (for coffee morning)

Back hall 7pm

21st Food Bank

Ruth Nicol

Sat 25th COFFEE MORNING (Fair Trade Stall)

Wednesday coffee

This will end on the 29th November and resume on 7th February 2018. A big thank you to all the volunteers.

DUNLOP W.R.I. WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER

A.G.M.
Burma and Wild Scotland
A powerpoint presentation
By Mrs Vivienne McDonald

Competitions: 3 Fruit Scones

A Supper Dish

A Knitted Tree Decoration

WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER

99th ANNIVERSARY DINNER At Struther

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 25th November 10.00-12 in Church Hall Fair Trade Stall Admission £2 Tickets available from committee

Ayrshire Hospice Christmas Cards

The Hospice Christmas Cards will be on sale at the Craft Fair on Friday, 3rd November.

Any remaining cards will then be on sale at 8 Stewarton Road, Dunlop until Friday **10th November.** If you are interested, please phone Jennifer on 01560 484828.

DUNLOP and LUGTON SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

The annual Christmas Lunch will be held on Thursday 7th December in the Village Hall. Guests are asked to arrive from 12 noon for a 12.30 start. Tickets are £5 per person. Dunlop Primary School choir will once again provide the entertainment with a selection of Christmas Carols.

Dunlop Community Cinema

As part of the Intu Film Festival, two free films will be screened on consecutive Thursday mornings. Aimed primarily at school pupils, 'The Eagle Huntress' will be shown at 10am on the 9th November and 'The Fits' at 10am on Thursday 16th. Members of the public are welcome to attend. 9th November now full.

'The Big Sick' will be shown on Friday 17th November at 7.30pm. This is a charming romcom based on a true story where a Pakistan-born boy meets an American girl, struggles with the clash of cultures then is forced to get to know her parents and face up to his family's expectations whilst his girlfriend lies in a coma. It is a genuinely warm and funny film and hugely enjoyable.

The next Film Club film is on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm and is part of the BFI India On Film season. 'The Crow's Egg' (Kaakkaa Muttai) is a comedy about two young brothers from the Chennai slums who set out to realise their dream: to get their first taste of pizza.

Finally, Christmas comes early to Dunlop - the Christmas film will be shown at 3pm on Sunday 17th December - a heartwarming classic which has not dulled with age - 'It's a Wonderful Life' will be a welcome diversion from the shopping....

As ever, there will be yummy ice-cream, crisp popcorn and cockle-warming wine and beer available at screenings (except the Intu Film events). If you are a DUNLIMITED card holder, or a Film Club member, you can also book your favourite seat online in advance, at no extra cost, through TicketSource: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/dunlop-community-cinema

DUNLOP GALLERY

If you want to catch Sue Rothwell's terrific show, it's on until November the 15th. After that it's the turn of our annual, and ever popular Christmas show. This year, our show will include local artists Marsha Burke, Frank Paterson, Gillian Park, Charlie Jamieson, Susan McColl, and Shiona Paterson. If you want to get a very individual and personal Christmas present, then this is your chance. All work will be for sale, and the opening night is on Thursday **the 16th of November**, from **7 till 9pm**. This opening is always popular and well attended, so make sure you get yourself along to buy something for a special present, or just for yourself! As always, there will be wine, and a chance to meet the artists. The show will also be available for viewing during cafe hours, Thursday and Friday, 11.30 till 2.30, and during cinema showings and Christmas fairs. For more details, please contact Ellenor Ferguson at 07811 045600, or Shiona Paterson at 07506

Dunlop Players Panto

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Once again Dunlop Players have been rehearsing hard for their upcoming pantomime. This year we are proud to perform **Puss In Boots** written by John Morley and directed by Alan Mitchell. Performances will take place in Dunlop Village Hall on:

Thursday 23rd November at 7.30pm Friday 24th November at 7.30pm Saturday 25th November at 1.30pm & 6.30pm.

Tickets are priced at £7 per adult and £5 per child and can be bought from Norman's Newsagent, Dunlop Post Office or from the Village Hall on a Tuesday/ Thursday evening from 7.30pm and Sundays from 2pm. Alternatively contact Stephanie on 07480083438 or email dunlopplayers@outlook.com. Please note, concession tickets are available for Thursday 23rd at £5. We would like to thank you all for your continued support and look forward to seeing you at the show!

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice:

Our Craft Fair in aid of the Hospice will take place on Friday 3rd November in the village hall.

Please come and enjoy 20 different crafters, home baking, a raffle and another chance to buy your Ayrshire Hospice Christmas Cards.

Open from 7.30 till 9:30 pm

Entrance £2.50 which includes tea with home baking.

DUNLOP & LUGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month (except January and July) in the Village Hall, Dunlop.

News update

Mr George Corbett, Contracts Manager/Transport at East Ayrshire Council attended our September meeting to respond to parents' concerns regarding school transport issues. This meeting was well attended and parents' concerns were discussed.

The A735 Stewarton Road has recently been resurfaced. The community council are in regular contact with the Roads Department regarding outstanding road issues.

There have been a number of complaints regarding recent anti social behaviour around the village. Police Officers in attendance at the October meeting have urged the public to report all further incidents.

Garden/window box competition

We are looking at the possibility of introducing a garden/window box competition for 2018. Further details to follow...

You can read all of the above and other news in the Minutes from our meetings which are displayed on the notice board outside Normans shop and in the Village Hall foyer.

(Please bear with us as work is in progress to update the community council website and Facebook page).

The next meeting is on Thursday 2nd November 2017 at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend.

Enquiries can be made to any member of the community council or addressed to: Eleanor Lochhead(Secretary) ellylochhead@gmail.com

mobile 07719 232366

SPECIAL EDITION CHRISTMAS CARDS

featuring two of Dunlop Kirk's Stained Glass Windows:
THE BELL TOWER WINDOW

(shining like a beacon as you travel down Main Street on a winter evening)
THE RESURRECTION WINDOW

(depicting the elements of Nature coming to life after winter)

Both windows were designed by the famous stained glass artist, Gordon Webster.

The cards cost £2 each or £5 for a set of three

(They are also available blank for your own message)

STAINED GLASS BOOKLET

The booklet makes a delightful present,
easily wrapped and easily posted.
£5 per copy

Available at the Church or by phoning 01560 480919

PUNLOP CHRISTMAS FAIR Dunlop Village Hall Saturday 2nd December 10am till 2pm

Congratulations

to Rev John Page and Isabel Howell who were married on 23rd September in Wiltshire. We send our best wishes to them both.



