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A word from our Minister ...

you have never travelled on this path before...

On the 14th of November I returned to the Fracture Clinic at Glasgow Royal Infirmary and the doctor was pleased with my progress and after an examination advised me that my tendon has healed, albeit it is weak, which was to be expected. He subsequently discharged me and advised me to continue to wear my 'boot' for a further two weeks to protect the healing and to allow time for a referral to physiotherapy to kick in.

I was hopeful of a phased return to work during Advent but having now seen my GP I have been advised that this will not be possible until the New Year. The current plan is for my phased return to begin on January 1st. 2017 assuming physiotherapy are happy with my continuing improvements.

I am trying to walk a little further daily, but not too much for fear of further damage.

I am grateful for your forbearance and prayerful support during my absence and indebted to Rev Mark Johnstone of St Mary's Church, Kirkintilloch the Interim Moderator and to Rev Jim Gemmell of Kenmure Church who continues to provide emergency pastoral care cover. Further updates will follow in due course.

Another word from our Minister...

The Season of Advent will have begun by the time you are reading this. Advent is traditionally a time we associate with waiting. We anticipate and await the birth of our Saviour as we prepare to celebrate Christmas, the birth of Jesus, the reason for the season, as they sometimes say.

For me these past months have been a period of waiting. Waiting for appointments, waiting for healing, waiting for permission to return to ministry. During this time I have had plenty of time to think, pray, and reflect on the important things in life, as I have adjusted to the limitations of my physical impairment.

The allure of the commercial world in this Season of Advent is ever present, as we wait to see the latest TV commercial for the likes of John Lewis! Trampolining dogs and foxes, who would have thought that was possible? But do we need any of that 'stuff' the shops are selling? Do we need to fill our lives with all those presents, food and drink?

Maybe we need to reclaim the maxim, "less is more" this Advent and make room to fill our hearts, homes and souls with the one who comes to offer us life in all its true fullness, the Christ child Himself, Jesus!

Have a great Advent, a Happy Christmas and I wait to see you all in the New Year when I hope to place my best foot forward!



Rev Ian Taylor



CONGRATULATIONS TO: Carol & Jim Scott, Thrums Avenue

29 November 1991 - 29 November 2016

Silver Wedding Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Hazel & Norrie Wilson, Angus Ave

11 November 1976 - 11 November 2016

Ruby Wedding Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mary & Tommy Johnstone,

Wester Cleddens Road

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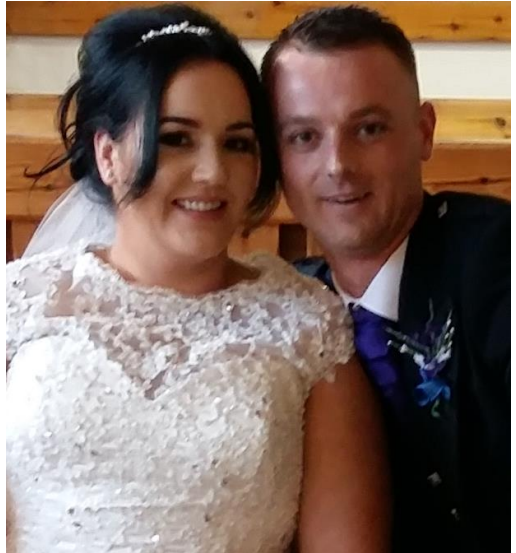
Diamond Wedding Anniversary



Weddings



Gracious God, we praise you for the gift of love - that most precious of gifts which endures beyond all others, bearing all things, believing all things and hoping all things.



Saturday 19th November, 2016 Stacey Clark & Ian Stewart

Funerals

God of grace and peace, in your Son Jesus Christ, you have given us new birth into a living hope. Strengthen us now to live in the power of the resurrection and keep us united with our loved one from whom in death we are not divided. For you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Wednesday 9th November, 2016

**Mr Peter Clint,
Springfield Court**

Fire of Advent

Edward Hays, *A Pilgrim's Almanac*

"Advent, like its cousin Lent, is a season for prayer and reformation of our hearts. Since it comes at winter time, fire is a fitting sign to help us celebrate Advent...If Christ is to come more fully into our lives this Christmas, if God is to become really incarnate for us, then fire will have to be present in our prayer. Our worship and devotion will have to stoke the kind of fire in our souls that can truly change our hearts. Ours is a great responsibility not to waste this Advent time."

LOOKING AHEAD



Vestry Hour – Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Due to my present indisposition check the Orders of Service for details of future Vestry Hours. All pastoral emergencies should be directed until further notice to Rev. Jim Gemmell of Kenmure Church (☎0141 316 1753) or to the Interim Moderator, Rev. Mark Johnstone of St. Mary's Church, Kirkintilloch (☎0141 776 1252).



Mid Week Services – Cambridge Chapel 11.10 am

The Wednesday morning Service will be held in the Cambridge Chapel. The Cambridge Chapel will also be open Monday – Friday from 10 am-12 noon for anyone who wishes to find a quiet place to read the Bible, pray or reflect during the course of the week.



On **Saturday 3rd. December, 2016** between 10 – 12 noon and on **Sunday 4th. December, 2016**, our **Jars of Grace for UNICEF** will be received.

On **Sunday 4th.December, 2016 (the second Sunday in Advent)** gifts **for children** will be received during this Service. The gifts will be used by local social work agencies at Christmas and throughout the coming year. You can wrap your gift if you wish, but please attach a label to the outside indicating whether the gift is suitable for a boy or girl, and what age group. Or, you may present your gift unwrapped, with accompanying paper attached and a note of sex/age of child. In this way, these gifts can be used during the coming year for birthdays and the like, if unused at Christmas.

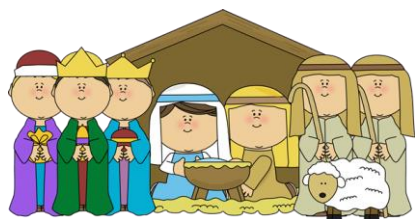




On **Sunday 11th December, 2016**, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism when Lewis Andy Stapley from Australia will be baptised.



There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on **Sunday 11th. December, 2016 at 2.30 pm**. This monthly Service at Callieburn Court is open to any member of the congregation who would like to join the residents for a short Service lasting about 20 minutes or so. The Service is held in the Lounge.



Sunday 18th. December, 2016 the Sunday School and Bible Wayfinders join us for our Nativity Service.



On **Tuesday 20th. December, 2016, at 10 am.**, the children and staff of Auchinairn Primary School will come to the Church for their Christmas Service. This is open to all.

Meanings of Christmas

Fr. Andrew Greeley

"It might be easy to run away to a monastery, away from the commercialisation, the hectic hustle, the demanding family responsibilities of Christmas-time. Then we would have a holy Christmas. But we would forget the lesson of the Incarnation, of the enfleshing of God—the lesson that we who are followers of Jesus do not run from the secular; rather we try to transform it. It is our mission to make holy the secular aspects of Christmas just as the early Christians baptised the Christmas tree. And we do this by being holy people—kind, patient, generous, loving, laughing people—no matter how maddening is the Christmas rush..."

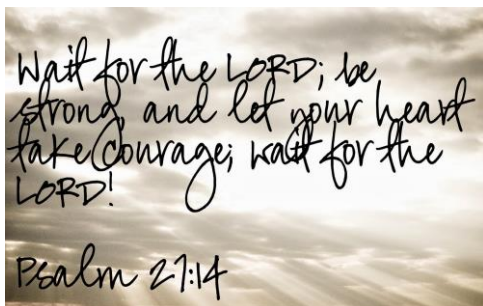


Saturday 24th December, 2016 - Christmas Eve
 – A **Family Service** will be held at **6.30 p.m.** Our **Watch Night Service** will begin at **11.30 p.m.** with Carol Singing from 11 pm. There will be a Retiring Collection in aid of the Lodging House Mission.

On Christmas Day, Sunday 25th December, 2016 the Bishopbriggs Churches of our Parish Grouping will hold a Joint Christmas Service at **Kenmure Church. This 10.30 am Service will be a Family Service** and will last for about half an hour. After this those who wish to remain may do so for a Service of Holy Communion, aimed principally at adults, although all are welcome to the Lord's Table.



On Sunday 1st January, 2017 our Service will be at the usual time of **11am** and will be a **Songs of Praise Service**



Treasurer's Report

This being the final magazine of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. Thanks to all the "regular" givers in the congregation for your offerings in 2016. Your support is very much appreciated and this means that we can meet our planned expenditure throughout the year.

We still await settlement from HMRC of our 2016 Q1, Q2 and Q3 General Fund (Including Gift Aid Small Claims) tax claims totalling around £15,500 together with another £2,150 in respect of other tax recoveries on the 150 Fund and the Fabric Fund.

By the time you read this article we will have made our final payment of £8,037 for our Ministries and Mission Allocation of 2016.

The deficit on the General Fund for the year-to 16/11/2016 is £2,373 (see below) and I am pleased to say that we remain on course to meet our budgeted figures for the full year.

<i>Income from Offerings</i>	£	£
	ACTUAL	BUDGET
FWO Scheme	14,487	18,136
Open Plate	6,542	6,923
Gift Aid	68,332	64,877
Tax Recovered	18,876	17,972
Total	108,237	107,908
Other Ordinary Gen Income	23,450	21,538
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	131,687	129,446
GENERAL EXPENDITURE	134,060	129,944
Deficit for Year to date	(2,373)	

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Memory Awakens Hope

Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, *Seek That Which Is Above*, 1986

It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope."

268th Glasgow Company - The Boys' Brigade

As we draw toward the close of the first half of our 2016/17 session I thought our readers might like an overview of what has been happening in the Company.

Back in September when we kicked off the new session our first major challenge was the loss of three members of staff namely Lieutenant Iain Ingram who resigned after having given 22 years of committed service to the Junior Section, Lieutenant Fiona McDougall of our Anchor Boy Section who resigned due to work commitments and Lieutenant Stephen Millar of our Junior Section who also resigned due to work commitments. We thank all three members of staff for their service to the 268th Glasgow Company. Stephen was the lynchpin of the Junior Section's major fund raiser, our "Line Dancing" event and I am delighted that Stephen has indicated that he will continue to organise this event on behalf of the Junior Section of the Company.

The Junior Section staff rightly marked Iain Ingram's lengthy service with a staff night out with Iain also being presented with vouchers for La Vita in order that he might take his wife Ann and family for a night out at a time suitable to all. A few weeks later Iain attended a Junior Section night, where in addition to making him work, he was presented with a silver Quaich which was engraved to record his years of service to the Section.

However, the 268th is nothing if not resilient and we have been able to add to the Anchor Boy staff two of our former Company Section Boys, Jacob Currie and Ross Gill and to the staff of the Junior Section Matthew Russell a Queen's Man of the Company.

Two of our Junior Section staff members have recently completed Youth Leader training under the auspices of Glasgow Battalion, Amanda McAra and the aforementioned Matthew Russell and by the time you read this both should have been appointed as Lieutenants of the 268th Glasgow.



It is also pleasing to note that four of our Company Section Boys are currently working towards gaining the Brigade's highest award, the Queen's Badge and these are: Jamie Blackhall, Andrew Irving, Rory McDonald and Callum Russell. Andrew and Rory are currently working on their leadership in the Brigade element and are helping out with the Boys of the Junior Section and Jamie and Callum will start that element of their work early in the new year

As our readers will be aware, our Company works throughout the session to raise funds for ourselves by holding Coffee Mornings, Quiz Nights, delivering Christmas cards and a host of other things but I particularly want to mention one event of this year in which the whole Company took part and, in line with our aim of caring for others, we participated in The Boys' Brigade/Church of Scotland World Mission Fund appeal. This year the appeal was aimed at the work of the Boys' and Girls' Brigade in Kenya and this seemed to capture the imagination of our Boys as we raised a total of £1050.00 for the appeal. This appeal is normally the remit of the Junior Section but we were able to boost our givings to the appeal thanks to the involvement of the Boys of both our Anchor and Company Sections so well done to all the Boys who helped raise this magnificent sum.

Our Girls' Brigade Company also took part in this appeal although separately from the BB fund raising.

I expect that my Officer's in Charge will be submitting articles for this edition of the magazine so I had better not steal any more of their thunder than I already have done and it remains only for me to wish all our readers, friends and supporters of the Company a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2017.

George McMillan, Captain

What good is it that Christ was born two thousand years ago if he is not born now in your heart?

Meister Eckhart, German Monist Philosopher, mystic and theologian c 1260-1328

Prayer

Prayer Request Cards are located at the end of each church pew. Please do make use of these cards. Requests can be for 'thanks' for good that has taken place or requests can be for support in coping with life's ongoing challenges. Prayer is always important but especially so at this Christmas time. Completed cards can be placed in the Prayer Request Box located in its permanent position in the Hall of Fellowship. Truly – Prayers do make a Difference.

A Christmas Prayer

by Robert Louis Stevenson

O God our loving Father,
Help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus,
That we may share in the glad song of the angels,
The gladness of the shepherds,
And the worship of the Wise Men.

Close the door of hate and open the door
Of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift and
Good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing that Christ brings,
And teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy
To be Thy children, and the Christmas evening
Bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts,
Forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake.

Amen



268th Glasgow Company - Anchor Boys

We currently have 25 boys on the role at the anchor boys with on average 22 boys attending each Friday night. Since we started back in September we have had 14 new boys join our section which is good. There is still room for more boys to join the anchor boys if they wish.

Our group competition is well under way. We have 3 groups this year with our groups being named after super heroes, Captain America, Batman & Spiderman. We had our Halloween party on Friday 28th October where there were some fantastic costumes.



We had a superheroes night as well to tie in with our group theme. Our Primary 3 boys visited our Junior Section on Friday the 17th November and took part in their planned programme.

We are also working our way through our achievements with all our boys so they can earn their badge at our parent's night in May.

Our Christmas party will be on Friday the 2nd of December where we hope to have a visit from a very happy jolly Santa.

Boys Brigade Glasgow Battalion are again holding their Panto at Ibrox Church on Saturday the 3rd of December. We will be taking 13 boys along to see Aladdin which will be attended by lots of other Anchor Boy & Junior Sections from Glasgow Battalion.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us this year.

On behalf of all the boys and staff of the 268th Anchor boys may we wish you and your family a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

Alan Kerr, Officer in Charge

268th Glasgow Company - Junior Section

We've had a busy month since our last update! We had great fun at our Halloween Party where Luke Skywalker, Donald Trump, a sumo wrestler & a werewolf (to mention just a few) were all in attendance!!!! On 8th November, we took part in our first District competition where we took 5 boys along to Colston Wellpark Church to play Hockey and Curling. We didn't win this time but had great fun taking part! On 13th November we took part in the Remembrance Day Service at Auchinairn. Lewis Langan lay the wreath on behalf of the BB at the Cenotaph with Graeme Langan, Jamie Ramage and Aaron McKenna escorting. The boys did well and they certainly deserved a nice mug of soup when they got home after standing in the cold and rain!! On the 17th we had our first visit from the Anchor Boy Seniors who will be coming up to join us after the summer next year. Hope they all had fun!

We are now looking forward to our annual trip to the Tron Theatre for this year's panto (...oh yes we are!!). This year we are off to see the 'The Snow Queen'.

Finally, we have some great news for those boys who took part in our sponsored walk along the canal in May this year to raise funds for 'Kit for Kenya'. The Junior Section raised the fabulous amount of £690 and in doing so won the World Mission trophy for raising the highest amount out of all Junior Section BB's in Scotland!! Well done to everyone who took part!!

We would wish everyone a very merry Christmas and happy new year!!

Gaynor Lockhart, Officer-in-Charge

The Presence of Christmas

William Arthur Ward

"Christmas is not just a season,
Christmas is not just a day,
Christmas is more than a reason
For parties, presents and play.

Christmas is truly the essence
Of joy that the Saviour brings;
Christmas is surely the presence
Of Jesus, the Kings of Kings!"

Remembrance

Along with others of the church and community I attended at the Auchinairn War Memorial at 11am on the 11th Day of November. This was a well attended event and a group of the Primary 7 children from Auchinairn School were also there. One of the children was selected by the duty teacher to lay a wreath at the memorial which he did with great decorum. By sheer coincidence the young man selected to do this was Callum who is a member of the 268th BB Company Section

Remembrance Sunday on the 13th November was also a very well attended event and indeed in my view, and that of others, it was the best attended Remembrance attendance at Auchinairn in many years. The afternoon began with a short service of worship at the Auchinairn Community Centre and thereafter members of the wider church, the community and the representatives of the local churches, the Council, the Community Council, the Army, the Boys' Brigade, Girl's Brigade and the local Brownie group all braved the poor weather conditions and proceeded to the War Memorial to lay their wreaths in remembrance of all who had served, fought and died in the service of their Country in conflicts over the past century.

The laying of the poppy wreaths is particularly poignant but we must also remember that each poppy wreath laid represents a donation to Poppy Scotland the organisation which exists to assist soldiers, sailors and air crew, male or female, who have been injured or traumatised in conflict.

Those of us involved in Springfield Cambridge Church also donate most notably by giving to Poppy Scotland through the placing of money into a collecting can held by members of our own Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade Companies. Boys and Girls of both organisations undertook this role over four Sundays from 23rd October until 13th November and, thanks to the generosity of the folks of Springfield Cambridge, I can tell you that the sum raised by means of the collecting cans was £281.65. My sincere thanks go to all of the Boys and Girls who helped in raising this sum.

A retiring offering taken on Sunday 13th November provided a further £183.90 which has allowed the Church to make a total donation to Poppy Scotland £454.56 which that organisation has now received and they have thanked us for our generous donation.

George McMillan

65th Glasgow Company - The Girls' Brigade

The girls are all working hard and are well on their way to achieving their badges at the display. We know have 61 girls enrolled in the company.

The Explorers topic this year is the animals so our trip to Blair Drummond safari park with the Juniors was extra special for them at the start of October.

As a fund raiser the Explorers are planning a pyjama party next Tuesday to raise funds for the company as the service part of their badge.

Our Juniors have been busy learning about Scottish Woman, playing games and enjoyed a pyjama party for Halloween.

The Juniors and Brigaders filled the church with sound at the beginning of November when they spent the night learning the Samba drums the girls all had a smashing time.

The Brigaders have been supporting Fresh Start this session and are preparing Christmas Eve Bags for the children using this service at Christmas. In preparation for Remembrance Day the Brigaders made their own poppies pictured here.



December will be a busy month for us we have 2 bag packs organised in Asda and Morrison's Bishopbriggs. We are now planning our Christmas events the older girls are planning a night in town the younger girls will be having a party in the church hall and are hoping for a visit from Santa. Our trip to the panto this year is on the 3rd of Jan to the Kings theatre - oh yes it is!

The officers and girls would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a joyful and peaceful Christmas.

Katie Byrne, Captain

Some Special Gifts

Here are a few suggestions for special gifts:

- a firm handshake to a shaky soul,
- a kind word to a lonely person,
- a warm smile to the disheartened,
- a sincere concern for someone troubled,
- a feeling of compassion for the neglected,
- a comforting thought for the bereaved,
- a respect for the dignity of others,
- a defence of the rights of individuals,
- a word of witness to help a seeking soul,
- a Merry Christmas to all.

The Guild

On 31st October we had a very interesting series of reminiscences from Dr Joyce Deans about her schooldays when Laurel Bank School was evacuated in its entirety to Auchterarder for the duration of the war years. The stories she told were very entertaining and enjoyed by all who attended and are the subject of a book written by Anna Magnusson called *The Time of their Lives*.

The ladies were very interested in hearing about Ellen Robertson's trip to China and enjoyed seeing some of the many photographs she took on her travels. We thank her sincerely for the work she put in to organising such an interesting presentation. A large number of our members joined with members of the other two Bishopbriggs Guilds on 14th November at Kenmure Church to hear Rev. Susan Anderson give a very interesting and entertaining talk about her ministry in St. John's, Onthank, Kilmarnock



On 18th November some of our members made the long journey to join with almost 900 other Guild members for the 'Big Sing' held this year in Westburn Parish Church in Greenock. It was a truly joyful event in this year where the Guild theme is 'Go in Joy' and we certainly left with joy in our hearts after the uplifting programme of readings and hymns. If you look closely you may see some of our ladies in this photograph.

Our session closes on Monday 12th December with our Christmas Party.

The Guild committee would like to thank all those who donated, helped and supported the Guild Coffee Morning on 12th November when the excellent total of £877 was raised. Thanks also to Jim Tonner, Carol Nelson, Duncan Mackintosh and Robert Ditty for all they do to assist us throughout the year. We are also grateful to Rev. Roy Tuton for conducting our Dedication Service.

We resume on Monday 9th January 2017 with a visit from Brenda Diamond speaking to us about Fresh Start locally here in East Dunbartonshire. Members old and new will be made very welcome. Please come and join us. On 23rd January we will be entertained by the Jolly Bs a male singing group and on February 6th our speaker will be Rev. Terry Wright speaking about the John Wesley Trail.

Dates for your diary.

Christmas Party - **Monday 12th December** at 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

Guild resumes – **Monday 9th January 2017**

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary

FUND RAISING GROUP – BEETLE DRIVE

A very enjoyable evening was had by all the men and women who attended our Beetle Drive in the Springfield Hall on Friday 4 February. Many of the participants had never been to a Beetle Drive before, but under the expert tutelage of Christine Bickers and Sandra McDougall, we were soon “beetling away” and entering into the spirit of the games. There was, very quickly, a great mixture of competitiveness, along with a good measure of hilarity.

Tea, coffee and home baking was served during the interval to allow everybody to draw breath and share their experiences. Before commencing with Round 2, we had 3 shots of the elimination game “Heads and Tails” with prizes being awarded to those who “remained standing” at the end of each game.

At the end of the evening, winners prizes and consolation prizes were presented to the contestants with the highest and lowest scores in the Beetle Drive.

The sum of £310, including £40 Gift aid, was raised for Church Funds from the event, and thanks are extended to the members of the Fund Raising Group for their organisation, and to all who supported it by attending, donating ticket money and/or prizes.

OUR NEXT EVENT WILL BE OUR ANNUAL QUIZ AND FISH SUPPER NIGHT WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY. TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM SUNDAY 5TH FEBRUARY.

Take Time to be Aware Edward Hays, *A Pilgrim's Almanac*

Take time to be aware that in the very midst of our busy preparations for the celebration of Christ's birth in ancient Bethlehem, Christ is reborn in the Bethlehems of our homes and daily lives. Take time, slow down, be still, be awake to the Divine Mystery that looks so common and so ordinary yet is wondrously present.

An old abbot was fond of saying, ‘The devil is always the most active on the highest feast days.’

The supreme trick of Old Scratch is to have us so busy decorating, preparing food, practicing music and cleaning in preparation for the feast of Christmas that we actually miss the coming of Christ.



CONFECTIONERY QUIZ SOLUTION

The clues below all relate to well-known confectionery.

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|----|--|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Definitely not before 2001 hrs | AFTER EIGHTS |
| 2 | Planet hostelry, perhaps | MARS BAR |
| 3 | Voodoo in a box | BLACK MAGIC |
| 4 | Cow juice container | MILK TRAY |
| 5 | Song from 'Fiddler on the Roof'? | MATCHMAKERS |
| 6 | Floral items, could be 'climbing' or 'tea' | ROSES |
| 7 | Single snowy deposit | FLAKE |
| 8 | This becomes you, according to the song | MOONLIGHT |
| 9 | The 'E' is missing from this pet food | KIT KAT |
| 10 | Could be Park Lane or Mayfair | QUALITY STREET |
| 11 | A star cluster | GALAXY |
| 12 | Our star cluster | MILKY WAY |
| 13 | Mediterranean islanders | MALTESERS |
| 14 | Clever little individuals, these | SMARTIES |
| 15 | Christmas and birthdays give rise to these | CELEBRATIONS |
| 16 | Give us a ?Anthea! as Brucie might have said | TWIRL |
| 17 | Are you a ?case? | FRUIT AND NUT |
| 18 | Sssh! Talk quietly! | WISPA |
| 19 | Al fresco cuisine | PICNIC |
| 20 | In the mane, you'll enjoy this one | LION BAR |
| 21 | Like toast, or autumn leaves, maybe | CRUNCHIE |
| 22 | Sounds like a sadistic nut, this one | WALNUT WHIP |
| 23 | Reward for capture | BOUNTY |
| 24 | London bus | DOUBLE DECKER |
| 25 | Serious bar, this, mainly for truckers | YORKIE |
| 26 | This chap's fruit has gone brown! | TERRY'S CHOCOLATE
ORANGE |
| 27 | No, actually it's totally yellow! | TERRY'S ALL GOLD |
| 28 | Beautiful lady from Istanbul | TURKISH DELIGHT |
| 29 | Up for discussion? | TOPIC |
| 30 | Munificence! | BOUNTY |

The Quiz raised £132 for Church Funds and a small prize was awarded to each of the first 3 names to be drawn out. These were Margaret Millar, Christine Faichnie and Ann Clark. Apologies from the Quiz Editor who hadn't noticed that the answers to Clues 23 and 30 were both the same. Sorry for any confusion caused.

Flower Calendar

December 2016

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January 2017

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*Best Wishes for Christmas and the coming year
from the Flower Committee*

Christmas is Coming

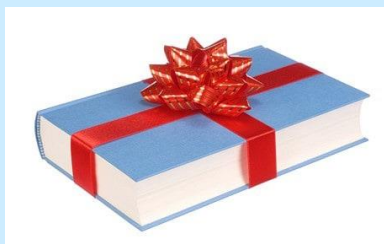
A possible stocking filler, or something to send overseas: -

"The Villages of Bishopbriggs" £4.95

"Auchinairn – The Forgotten Village" £3.50

"Mavis Valley and the 1913 Pit Disaster" £3.00

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Bill Findlay (772 7253)**



Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 4th December

Worship at 11am and 3pm

Gift Service

Sunday 11th December

Worship at 11am

Including the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Sunday 18th December

Worship at 11am

Nativity Service

Saturday 24th December – Christmas Eve

Early Evening Family Service at 6.30pm

Carol Singing from 11pm

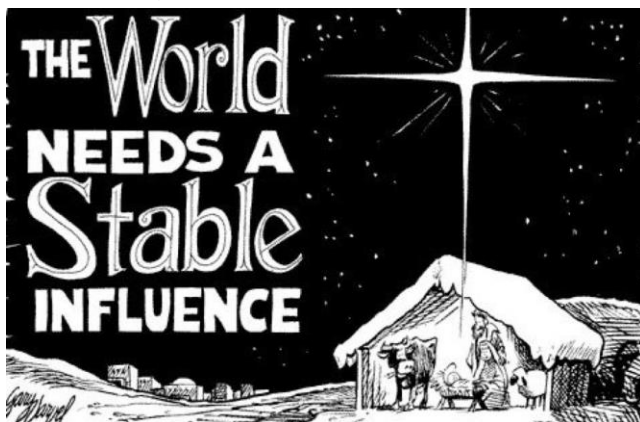
Watchnight Service at 11.30pm

Sunday 25th December – Christmas Day

The Bishopbriggs Churches of our Parish Grouping will hold a Joint Christmas Service at **Kenmure Church**. **Family Service at 10.30 am** (lasting half an hour) – followed by a **Service of Holy Communion** (for those who wish to remain)

Sunday 1st January 2017

Songs of Praise Service at 11am





Praise
the Lord,

Oh my soul, all

my inmost being, praise

his holy name. Praise the

Lord. Oh my soul, and forget

not all his benefits - who forgives all your

sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems

your life from the pit and crowns you with Love

and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good

things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. The

Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. He

made known his many ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel

: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat

us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens

are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west,

so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children,

so the

Lord

has

compassion on those who fear him; Psalm 103: 1-13. (NIV)