

The **Parishioner**



November



2012



*Blessed are those
who mourn,
for they shall be
comforted.*

Matthew 5:4

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Pastoral Letter

November 2012

Dear Friends,

As I write this letter I am currently cruising at 33,000 feet in a Boeing aircraft. I am heading to Canada, to the city of Toronto. Along with the family I have been invited to take the anniversary service at Northminster United Church. This was the congregation I was minister at before coming to St Mary's.

With this anniversary service there will be a lot of emotion because the congregation will be uniting with another local congregation called Neutonbrook United.

Neutonbrook United have engaged with the needs of the city and developed an affordable housing

complex on what was their parking lot. This means that in a highly desirable part of the city there are some houses that regular people can afford to live in.

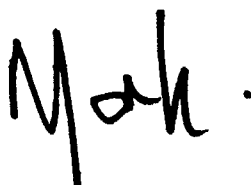
The motivation for Neutonbrook to engage in this work came from their reading of Jesus call to offer support to those who have no shelter. It seems obvious and is a very practical response to a genuine need in the city.

While visiting Toronto I am aware of the needs in Kirkintilloch. Perhaps, as a congregation we need to take time to identify the local need then take the step of faith to meet that need. Neutonbrook United did not enter into this work without due consideration and interrogation.

Looking at Neutonbrook united today, the houses are built and they are becoming homes to those who thought they were destined to homelessness.

How might we be part of God's plan to rescue the destitute?

Kindest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark." with a period at the end.

Parish Register

Baptisms

'Jesus said 'Let the children come to me, for as such is the Kingdom of heaven' . . . he placed his hand upon them and blessed them.'

October 21 Jenna Lily Lottie Wayt, daughter of Clare and David

The Lord bless you, and keep you: the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace

Weddings

'God is love and those who dwell in love dwell in God and God in them'
We celebrated the marriage of:

October 20 Lyndsay Spiers and Derek McAuslane

Funerals

'Jesus said 'I am the resurrection and the life . . . '
'Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted'
'Jesus said 'The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God.'

October 08 Eleanor Jackson, Lowland Court, Stepps
18 Jim McDonald, Fourhills Nursing Home, Glasgow
18 Cecilia Hotchkiss, Mavisbank Nursing Home, Bishopbriggs

Special Anniversaries –

Golden Wedding

Mr Steward and Mrs Janet Irving, 127 Alloway Drive celebrated 50 years of marriage on 12 October.

Ruby Wedding

Mr Bruce and Mrs Nan Middleton, 48 South Mains Road, Milngavie celebrated 40 years of marriage

Congratulations and best wishes are sent to both couples from all at St Mary's.

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Change of Address

Mrs Sheila Gow, formerly 23 Burnside Avenue, now residing at 7 Carnie Court, 68 Queen Street, Kirkintilloch.

Mr David and Mrs Betty Kerr, formerly 43 Kirksyde Avenue, now residing at 19 Kelvin Court, Kirkintilloch.

Mr Robert and Mrs Joan Lang, formerly 2 Marguerite Gardens, now residing at 3 Hayston Road, Kirkintilloch.



Church Flowers

We wish to thank the following members who will donate flowers for the Chancel of our Church during November.

November	09	The Guild
(Preparatory)		
Communion	11	Mrs D Stewart, Mrs M Lawson, Mrs I Hay
	18	Mrs J. McCann, The Fisher Family, Mr Mrs J. Mc Isaac Mrs I. McCrae
	25	Mrs G. Young, Mrs A. Cunningham, Mrs M. Barrowman, Mrs R. Smith, Mrs I. Shanks
December	02	Mrs J. Garrity, Mr Mrs G. Day, Mrs P. Rose

The following members, whom we wish to thank for their assistance, will be responsible for distribution

November	04/11	Mrs E. Hall, Mrs K. Pollock, Mrs J Reid
	18/25	Mrs V. Lindsay, Mrs M Gaston
December	02/09	Mrs J McCann, Mrs J Pearson

Thank You . . .

Thank you acknowledgements have been received from the following people who received Chancel Flowers during the month of October.

Mr Mrs W Campbell, Mrs M. Mathieson, Miss A. Tassie, Mrs J. Whyte, Mrs B. Davidson, Mr A. Henderson, Mrs M. Gaston, Mrs M. Cooper, M. McDonald, Mrs J. Jennings, Mrs I. Vernett, Mr D. Thomson, Mrs C. Wilson, Mrs M. Middleton, Mrs M. Lawson, Mrs H. Struthers, Mr C. Clingan, Miss D. Brown, Miss A. Letford, David and Denise on behalf of their parents Mr Mrs S. Irving, Mrs M. Laing, Mrs M. Knox, Mrs A. Cunningham, Mrs J. Stirling, Mrs C. Hickey on behalf of her Mum Mrs M. Montgomery, Mrs G. Watson, Mr A. Connor on behalf of his wife Grace, Mrs M. Lang on behalf of Mrs J. Ewing also her niece F. Gill, Mrs M. Strang, Mr D Clarke.

Janice Reid apologises for the omission of the following names in the October Parishioner. They were not transferred over when the list was sent for inclusion.

04 November Mrs B McEwen, Mrs J Finney, Mrs D McPherson,
Mrs A McPhee

Janice also thanks everyone for donations over the past month for the Chancel flowers.

Alasdair McNeil thanks all those in the congregation who passed on messages and cards to Elizabeth when he was in hospital recently. All the prayers that were said for him at the Prayer Meeting, also the visits from Katy, Brian, John and Emma.

The Bells of St Mary's



November	11	Lisa Thomson and Karen Morrison
	18	Dorothy Stewart
	25	James Paterson and Janet Millin
December	02	Mary Stirling and Jen Biggans
	09	Paul and Charlotte Malcolm

The Parishioner

Copy for the December/January Parishioner should be handed to Sandra Burns, left in the Publications pigeon hole in the Hall vestibule or sent by e-mail to sandraburns@ntlworld.com no later than Sunday 25 November.

If any of the organisations have significant dates coming up in early February please take the opportunity to include them in this edition.

VISITORS ARE WELCOME

St Mary's is a sit anywhere Church and visitors are always welcome. If you feel there should be more to life than retail therapy and Friday night clubbing, try coming along to the 11 o'clock service on Sunday morning. You may hear something to change how you value your life and your relationships with those around you. You don't have to join up to join in.

The Church office is located on the right as you enter the Church Halls. The secretary, Mrs Lynn Hay, is available in the office Monday to Friday 9.15 a.m. – 12.15 a.m. and may be the first point of contact for general enquiries. Lynn will be able to refer you to the person best suited to respond. Church office telephone and fax 0141 775 1166 or e-mail: office.stmarys@btconnect.com

The Guild

The Guild meets on Friday evenings in the Mid Hall at 7.30 p.m. and the programme for November / December is as under. All are welcome, including gentlemen, to come along and enjoy the fellowship and listen to a varied selection of topics.

November	09	Preparatory Service
	16	Runaway Theatre Group
	23	West Highland Way – Gordon Morrison
	30	Nan Marshall's Singing Group
December	07	Rev Dan Carmichael
	14	Christmas Dinner

The following letter received from St Rollox regarding our donation from Harvest Festival.

Dear David,

Just a note to ask you to say thank you to the church for the generous donation of groceries.

We have at present a number of Destitute Asylum Seekers, particularly from Zimbabwe, who have gone through the first round of tribunals and appeals, but because they may be unable to provide documents have been refused further support. As you can imagine they are very reluctant to accept this as the end of their claim and prefer to continue to try and get the necessary evidence.

The groceries provided help them to survive as they await correspondence from their home countries, which will back up their stories.

Please thank everyone again for this practical display of compassion and concern.

Yours sincerely, Christine, Project Co-ordinator

Dates for your Diary

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QUIZ? QUIZ? QUIZ?

An evening of fun and fellowship

A light hearted quiz suitable for all ages and interests

Form a team of four with your friends

Come with a team or join one on the night

A light supper is included in the ticket

An experienced quiz master

Prizes to be won

£5 a ticket

Saturday 17 November 2012

7.30pm

All profits will go towards new boiler and other church projects

Tickets are on sale in the vestibule after Sunday services.

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Craft Fair

"The Young Church" are hosting a Craft Fair on 10th November 12pm - 4pm. 28 craft stalls booked so far.

A wide variety of quality handcrafted goods; perfect gift ideas; Children's Corner; Santa's grotto; Tearoom, with mince pies and shortbread.

The Young Church would like to extend an invitation to all young people to come along and share in their activities every Sunday from 10:45 to 12:15. Our activities include storytelling, videos, crafts, games, songs, puzzles, and more. There is no commitment to regular attendance, just come along when you can and you will be guaranteed fun times and a warm welcome.

- Crèche - age 0-3
- Kidz Zone - Age 3-11
- Seekers - age 11 +
- Some more helpers are required for all of the Young Church.

Diary Dates continued over the page



Flower Circle

The Flower Circle are holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 1st December from 10.00 a.m. - 12 noon. Home baking, tombola and there will be flowers for sale. Tickets can be had from Elizabeth Walker and members of the Flower Circle.

Act of Remembrance & Communion

On 11 November we will share in an act of Remembrance. Recognising the Nation will have a period of silence at 11a.m. our worship will begin at 10.4a.m., this will allow time to reflect before participating in the time of silent remembrance. We will also celebrate Communion on this day.

Boys' Brigade . . .

On Sunday 4th October the Boys' Brigade celebrated 129 years of the organisation in the UK. The Boys' Brigade is the world's first Uniformed Christian Youth Organisation that was founded by William A Smith in 1883 to provide a service for Young Men where they could develop themselves as decent members of their community.

The 5th Kirkintilloch Boys' Brigade Company dates back to 1959 and since then it has helped thousands of Children and Young People to live better lives and grow into positive members of their community.

If you would like to donate to the 5th Kirkintilloch funds, why not try our new text donation system.

Text " KIRK05 £amount" to 70070

Then to further help also continue with the text message you receive back and we can claim 20% back from

"Gift Aid" as the Junior Section is a charity organisation

Stephen McKean, PR Officer Strathkelvin Battalion



Listeners Circle

The next meeting of the Listeners Circle will be on Friday 16 November at 2pm in the Session House. Everyone is welcome to come along and listen to the programme of music which has been compiled this month by David Kerr.

St Mary's Junior Badminton – October Competition

Some of you may recall from my previous reports that many of our junior players play in competitions run by The Glasgow and North Strathclyde division of Badminton Scotland. The first event this season was held early in October and the league convenor wrote the following report for Badminton Scotland.

"85 children turned out on 7 October 2012 for the first Junior League event of the season. This was a record number of children and represented 13 different clubs from the Glasgow and North Strathclyde area. We were really pleased to welcome new faces and new clubs to our league. The standards and ages ranged from the smallest beginner at age eight to the oldest, regular tournament player at age 20. All entrants are split into groups according to ability and all groups were played in a non knockout basis which gave the young players the maximum number of games. The standard in the top group, in particular, was excellent and the games were tightly contested and of a very high standard.

The winners were as follows:-

Beginners Group	Robbie Kennedy	Shuttleworks Badminton Club
Lower Boys Group	Matthew Ross	Maccabi Badminton Club
Middle Boys Group	Sean McCallum	Erskine Badminton Club
Upper Middle Boys Group	Scott Millin	St Mary's Badminton Club
Top Boys Group	Alan Patterson	St Mary's Badminton Club
Lower Girls Group	Charlotte Hughes	St Mary's Badminton Club
Middle Girls Group	Sarah Shu	St Mary's Badminton Club
Top Girls Group	Caira Torrance	Prestwick

A good day for St Mary's Badminton Club!

The next event on the calendar for the Junior League is a doubles event on 11 November 2012 to be held in the Cockburn Centre. Entry forms can be found at the Cockburn Centre or Scotstoun Leisure Centre or by e-mailing gillian_allan3@hotmail.com.

Gillian Allan, Junior League Convenor"

I'm sure you can appreciate how pleased the club is with the impact their junior players are making on the local club scene. I've reproduced Gillian's report so you can also see the progress they continue to make and the work going on from within your church hall. Thanks for your support, we all appreciate it.

Trevor Patterson

St Mary's Christmas Services . . .

St. Mary's Parish Church Gift Service will take place on **Sunday 16 December 2012 at 11 a.m.** This year you will be offered the choice of donating your gift to any of the following organisations:



Castlemilk Health Centre:

The centre is looking for general gifts for children in the age range of 5 to 12 years of age.

Women's Aid is in need of gifts for children up to 16 years and adult females.

St. Rollox is looking for general gifts for both children and adults. East Dunbartonshire Homelessness Unit requires gifts for children in the age range 11 to 16 years.

East Dunbartonshire Social Work Department

are looking for gifts in the age range of 0 to 14 years.

Labels will be available to pick up from Sunday 2 December. You will be able to select a label for the organisation of your choice. Please ensure you attach this label to your gift when you return it on Gift Sunday. Please also clearly mark the age and gender your gift is suitable for as this will help with the sorting and distribution to the organisations.

Money trees will also be available should you choose to make a monetary donation. There will a choice of 2 charities – these have been nominated by members of the congregation. Again, envelopes will be available from Sunday 2 December.

Your generosity is very much appreciated by all the organisations - especially at this time of year and in these difficult economic times - as they work to ensure your gift makes a difference to someone over the Festive period and beyond.

Thank you for your continued support.

Continued Overleaf

Arrangements for the other services over the Christmas period are as undernoted.

- **Blue Christmas Service –**

Wednesday 19 December 2012 at 7.30pm

- **Night Kirk –**

Friday 21 December 2012 9pm to Midnight

- **Nativity Service –**

Sunday 23 December 2012 at 11am

- **Christingle Service –**

Sunday 23 December 2012 at 7pm

- **Watchnight Service –**

Monday 24 December 2012

Doors open at 11pm for informal carol singing with service beginning at 11.15pm and finishing at 12.15am.

Christmas Cards

The Church will once again be collecting Christmas cards for delivery in Lenzie, Kirkintilloch, Auchinloch and Waterside. Collecting dates are Sundays 02 and 09 December and the price this year is again 20p per card. Due to unforeseen circumstances, helpers are required for Hillhead, Lenzie, High Gallowhill, Harestanes and Woodilee Village. If you would like to help deliver some cards please contact Ruth Poynton on 775 2159 by 02 December. Please remember to include a house number when addressing the envelopes, thus making it less difficult for those delivering.

JustTextGiving

As indicated in last month's magazine, the Finance Committee have been working on ways to obtain additional offerings to enable the work to proceed on our roof and other alterations planned to the Church. As part of our strategy we recognised that there are many people outwith the congregation who have a connection with St. Mary's and might be willing contributors to this project.

To that end we have set up a campaign with Vodafone under their JustTextGiving scheme and donations can now be made by mobile phone simply by texting the message ROOF14 and then an amount, say £10, to the number 70070. We will shortly be receiving a support pack of advertising material and also be promoting the scheme on our website. There is no cost for this scheme and as the Funds will be paid into the Friends of St. Mary's (Special Projects Fund) all of the income will remain in our hands.

We will keep the congregation informed of the funds raised under this project and other fund raising efforts. Once again the Finance Committee, on behalf of the Kirk Session would like to thank you for your continued support.

Finance Committee

Know what to do

The town's fire prevention officer was conducting a health and safety course at the local church. The officer said to the minister: "Now imagine this: it is a Sunday morning and you have a number of people, spread throughout your church building. Some are in the choir stalls, some are in the kitchen, and some are in the nave. Suddenly, a big fire breaks out. What are the first steps you would take?" The minister thought carefully for a moment. "Really big ones," he said.

The Traffic Warden's funeral

As the coffin was being lowered into the ground at a Traffic Warden's funeral a voice from inside screamed: "I'm not dead, I just passed out for a moment! Let me out!!!"

The Minister smiled, and leaned forward, sucking his teeth. He muttered: "Too late, the paperwork's already done"

The Soldier's Prayer

I asked God for strength, that I might achieve,
I was made weak, that I might learn humbly to obey.
I asked for health, that I might do greater things,
I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.
I asked for riches, that I might be happy,
I was given poverty, that I might be wise.
I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men,
I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God.
I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life,
I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.
I got nothing that I asked for –
But everything that I had hoped for,
Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered.
I am among all men most richly blessed.

Prayer for Remembrance Time

Lord, You are our loving Father and we come to you for comfort.
Hearts are breaking at this time, as we remember the effects of war throughout the years and still today. Help us Lord, to comfort those who have lost loved ones, those whose loved ones are in danger and those who feel bereft in any way. We know Lord, that there are many kinds of loss, many kinds of bereavement, many kinds of grief. Help us to be comforters and peacemakers in all our relationships. And when we feel lost and the pain seems too much to bear, help us to remember Jesus, who suffered and knows all about pain and loss. Help us to remember his promise that he will never leave us or forsake us. Thank you that whatever our situation today, he is right in the middle of it with us, holding us close, wiping our tears, giving us hope.
Thank you Father for Jesus, who lights our way forward.
In his name, Amen.

The Rectory

St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

It is a great shame that your church doesn't have chandeliers – although in your low-ceilinged converted cinema, any chandelier more than a few feet tall would also be embedded in your floor carpeting. But I find that there is nothing like watching the standard bearers on Remembrance Sunday parading up the aisle with their flags and getting them caught up in our brass candelabra.

One year, the procession ground to a halt while a bearer fought to retrieve his flag, and was obliged to leave it flying in the centre of the church while he presented me with an empty pole. I always feel obliged to tell parishioners the previous week, that since all the candelabra will inevitably be sent spinning, not to stare at them, or they may leave the church hypnotised. On the other hand, Miss Simpson generally leaves the church looking like that.

Major Hastings always arrives bejewelled with so many medals that every time he kneels for prayer, it sounds as if he is taking the collection. Their weight increases his stoop by at least ten degrees, to the point where some feel we should support him with a personal flying buttress.

Since the trumpeter playing the Last Post can be of varying quality, your idea of broadcasting it from London into your church is inspired. However, your worries about whether your radio will be good enough need not trouble you. If you tell your congregation that they are about to hear the broadcast silence and you then simply not switch the thing on, no one will be able to tell the slightest difference whether the silence is being broadcast or not. In fact, they will even congratulate you on hitting 11am at exactly the right moment.

I always use subterfuge; I have the church clock disconnected and

then when we reach the time for silence, irrespective of the true time, I get a churchwarden to toll the bell eleven times. This way, I have apparently come to the exact moment without a hitch for the last 30 years.

You will also find that preaching about warfare and of man's inhumanity to man will give you greater insights into the working of your church council. The only difference is that on committees – sadly – the use of machine guns is rather frowned on.

**Your loving uncle,
Eustace**

TREASURER'S REPORT September Offering

DATE	FREEWILL OFFERING	GIFT AID	OPEN PLATE	STANDING ORDERS
02.09.12	575.00	564.60	121.00	
09.09.12	448.05	531.10	72.90	
16.09.12	436.05	297.50	99.50	
23.09.12	363.01	1478.50	87.40	
30.09.12	594.11	504.50	55.77	
Standing orders				3623.00
TOTAL	2416.22	3376.20	436.57	3623.00
Total for the Month		9851.99		

SEPTEMBER RECEIPTS AND DONATIONS

Donation to Fabric Fund	100.00
Donation for new boilers	20.00
Sponsor money for Special Projects Fund	734.50
Sponsor money for Special Projects Fund	105.00

Believing power

Bible Sketchbook

Paul and Silas were thrown in prison for telling people about Jesus. They responded with prayer and worship. Suddenly there was a violent earthquake and they were free!

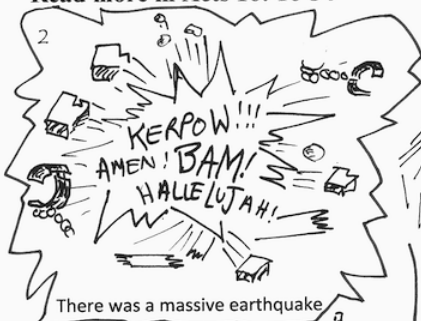
The jailer thought they had escaped and tried to kill himself, but Paul shouted: "Don't do it! We're all here!" The jailer called for a light and asked: "What must I do to be saved?" So they replied: "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved – you and your family!" The jailer believed and he and all his family were baptised and were filled with joy!

What about you? Are you in any kind of "prison"? Do you "believe"? If so, you are free in Jesus!

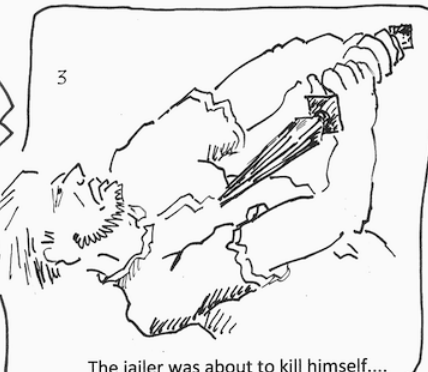


They worshipped and prayed

Read more in Acts 16: 16-34



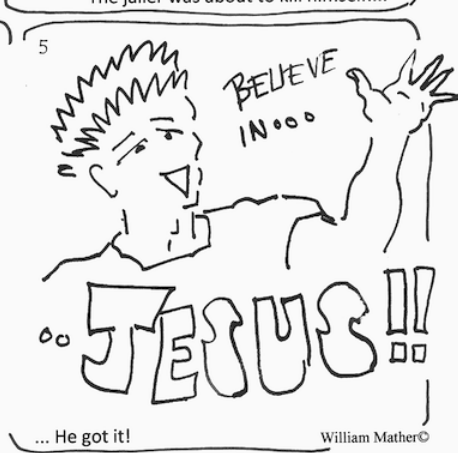
There was a massive earthquake



The jailer was about to kill himself....

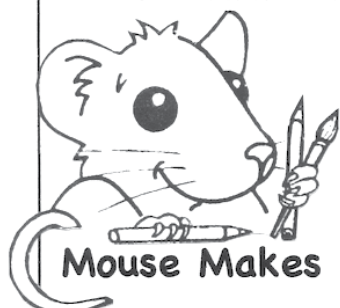


The jailer wanted an answer...



... He got it!

William Mather©



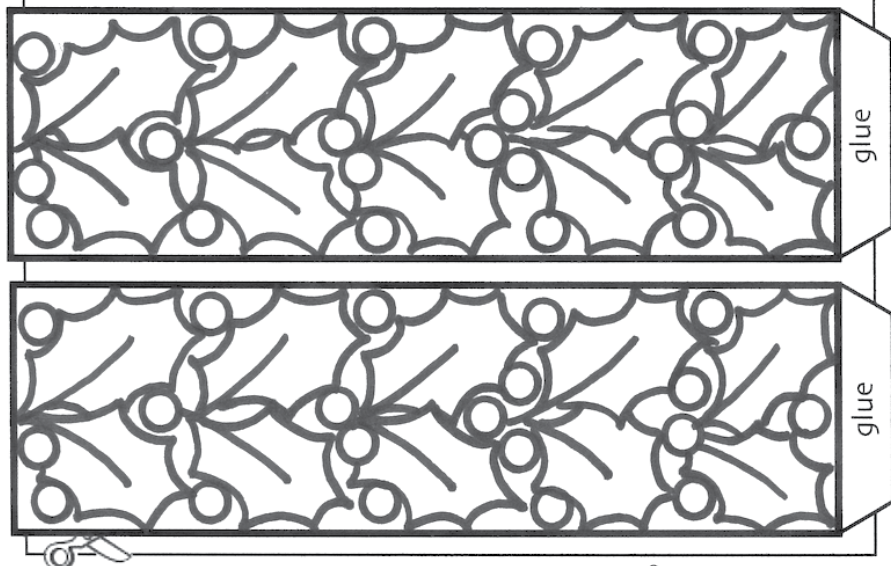
★ JESUS IS COMING! ★

ADVENT is the time before Christmas when we celebrate the arrival of **JESUS**, God's Son, our Saviour. In Advent we also look forward with **HOPE** to the time when Jesus will return to us again. We give thanks for God's **LOVE** for us, the **PEACE** we have with God through Jesus and our **JOY** at being His children.

To make your Advent wreath cut out the strips of holly, colour, glue together and glue around a glass jar. Colour and cut out the candles. Glue one candle onto the jar on each Sunday in Advent.



On Christmas Eve light a real candle in the jar to celebrate the birth of Jesus.



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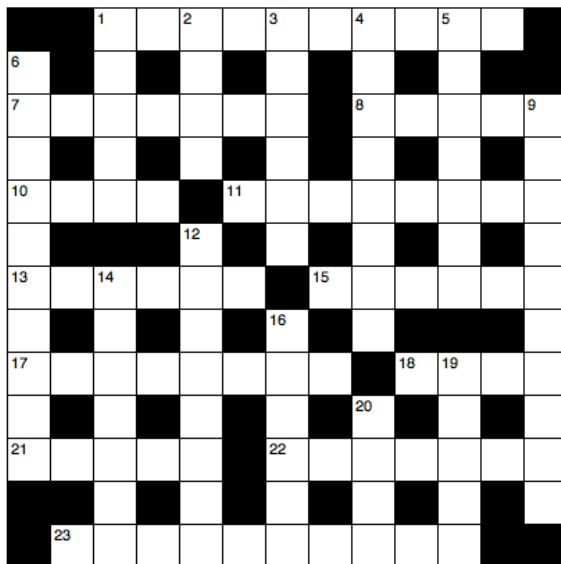
Across

- 1 He was replaced as king of Judah by his uncle Mattaniah (2 Kings 24:17) (10)
- 7 'Let us fix our eyes on Jesus... who for the joy set before him — the cross' (Hebrews 12:2) (7)
- 8 Relieved (5)
- 10 Impetuous (Acts 19:36) (4)
- 11 Surprised and alarmed (Luke 24:37) (8)
- 13 'It is — for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for the rich to enter the kingdom of God' (Mark 10:25) (6)
- 15 Directions for the conduct of a church service (6)
- 17 One of the acts of the sinful nature (Galatians 5:19) (8)
- 18 and 20 Down 'She began to wet his — with her tears. Then she wiped them with her — ' (Luke 7:38) (4,4)
- 21 'We will all be changed, in a flash, in the twinkling of an — , — the last trumpet' (1 Corinthians 15:51–52) (3,2)
- 22 'But he replied, "Lord, I am — go with you to prison and to death"' (Luke 22:33) (5,2)
- 23 Third person of the Trinity (2 Corinthians 13:14) (4,6)

Down

- 1 He betrayed Jesus (Matthew 27:3) (5)
- 2 Paul's assurance to the Philippian jailer: 'Don't — yourself! We are all here!' (Acts 16:28) (4)
- 3 'Fear God and keep his commandments, for this — the

Crossword



ANSWERS AT FOOT OF PAGE

- whole — of man' (Ecclesiastes 12:13) (2,4)
- 4 The sort of giver God loves (2 Corinthians 9:7) (8)
- 5 Sun rail (anag.) (7)
- 6 Naboth, the ill-fated vineyard owner, was one (1 Kings 21:1) (10)
- 9 Paul said of young widows, 'When their sensual desires overcome their — to Christ, they want to marry' (1 Timothy 5:11) (10)
- 12 This was how Joseph of Arimathea practised his discipleship 'because he feared the Jews' (John 19:38) (8)
- 14 Map ruse (anag.) (7)
- 16 Foment (Philippians 1:17) (4,2)
- 19 Where Joseph and Mary escaped to with the baby Jesus (Matthew 2:14) (5)
- 20 See 18 Across

ACROSS: 1, Jehoiachin. 7, Endured. 8, Eased. 10, Rash. 11, Startled. 13, Easier. 15, Rubric. 17, Impurity. 18, Feet. 21, Eye at. 22, Ready to. 23, Holy Spirit. DOWN: 1, Judas. 2, Harm. 3, Is duty. 4, Cheerful. 5, Insular. 6, Jezreelite. 9, Dedication. 12, Secretly. 14, Supremo. 16, Stir up. 19, Egypt. 20, Hair.



St HILDA

St Hilda was born a princess on November 17th 614 and was christened at the age of 13 with her uncle, King Edwin of Northumbria. When she was 33 she became a nun and in time she became the abbess (or leader) of a double monastery (where both monks and nuns lived) at Whitby in Yorkshire. And it was at Whitby, under St Hilda's leadership, that a famous conference was held to decide the date of Easter.



You know that Easter falls on a different day each year, but do you know that at that time the Celtic

churches (in Ireland, Scotland and some of England) used a different way to the Roman Church (in the rest of England and Rome) to work out the date. This meant that in some kingdoms one group of Christians were still keeping the fast of Lent while others were celebrating Easter. The debate went on until finally it was decided that everyone would follow the Roman pattern.

CELEBRATION DAYS

The words hidden in this word search are names of holidays and seasons in the Church's calendar. The words go up, down, backwards, forwards and diagonally and some letters are used more than once.

C	H	R	I	S	T	M	A	S	T
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Advent Ascension Candlemas
Christmas Easter Ember Day
Epiphany Eve Festival Lent
Rogation Trinity Whit



Whose parrot said 'Pieces of four, pieces of four'?

Short John Silver.

What is a ghost proof bicycle?

One with no spooks in it.

How does a boat show its affection?

It hugs the shore.

ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH ORGANISATIONS

DAY	ORGANISATION	LOCATION	TIME	CONTACT
Sunday	Sunday Worship	Church	11.00 a.m. – 12 noon	Rev Mark Johnstone
	Sunday School	Church Halls	ditto	Elaine Stevens/Louise Barry
	Seekers	ditto	ditto	ditto ditto
	Crèche	ditto	ditto	ditto ditto
	Fairtrade	Main Hall	12 noon – 12.30 p.m.	Fiona Leishman/Leslie Baird
	Badminton			
	Beginners	ditto	4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.	Trevor Patterson
	Junior	ditto	5.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.	Susan Wilson
Monday	Senior	ditto	7.30 p.m. – 10.30 p.m.	Trevor Patterson
	Youth Fellowship	Mid Hall	7.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.	Lorna McCallum
	Ladies Bowling	Main Hall	1.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	Cathie Devine
	Prayer Time	Small Hall	2.15 p.m. – 2.45 p.m.	Rev Katy Owen
	Shipmates	Main Hall	5.45 p.m. – 6.45 p.m.	Lindsey Campbell
	Junior & Company			
	Section Boys' Brigade	ditto	6.45 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.	Iain Hill
	Men's Club	Main Hall	7.30 p.m. – 10.00 p.m.	Archie Smith
Tuesday	Running/Walking Group	Hall Vestibule	7.00 p.m.	Bob Brown/Jean Ralph
	Ladies Badminton	Main Hall	1.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	Doreen More
	Junior Badminton	ditto	6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.	Trevor Patterson
	Senior Badminton	ditto	8.00 p.m. – 10.30 p.m.	Susan Wilson
	Country Dancing	Mid Hall	7.45 p.m. – 10.00 p.m.	Moira MacNeill
Wednesday	Wednesday Welcome	Session House	10.00 a.m. – 11.20 a.m.	Mary Stirling
	Wednesday Worship	Church	11.30 a.m. – 12 noon	Rev Mark Johnstone
	Over 50s Badminton	Main Hall	1.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	
	Brownies	ditto	6.30 p.m. – 7.45 p.m.	Elizabeth Cousin
	Rainbows	ditto	6.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.	Agnes Marran
	Vestry Hour	Vestry	7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.	Rev Mark Johnstone
				Telephone Church Office
	Running/Walking Group	Hall Vestibule	7.00 p.m.	Bob Brown/Jean Ralph
Thursday	Flower Circle	Mid Hall	7.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	Elizabeth Walker
	(alternate weeks)			
	Choir	Session House	7.45 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	David Burns
Friday	Listeners' Circle	ditto	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.	
	(monthly)			
	Guild	Mid Hall	7.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	Moira MacNeill

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