Church Register

Deaths

"The Lord's my shepherd I'll not want"

April:

Mrs Henreitta Fisher

Hillcrest

Mr Jim Bryden

Glencoune Street

Church Office

Janette Robertson will be in the office – Tues. 10.00 am – 12 noon & Friday. 9.00 am – 1.00 pm. All items for the Pew Leaflet should be given to Janette, or posted through the office door. Please note that articles for inclusion in the Sunday Pew Leaflet must be with Janette no later than 11.00 am on the preceding Friday.

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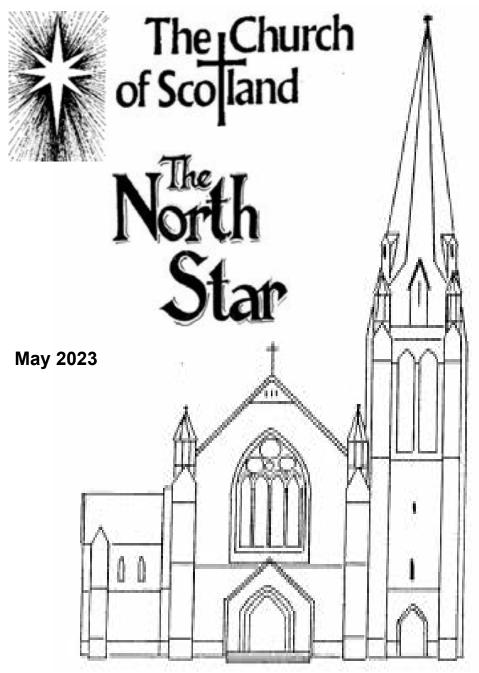
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EDITOR'S NOTE:

All articles for the June 2023 issue of the Church Magazine should be given to the Editor by Sunday 28th May 2023



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Girvan North Parish Church Charity No. SC007347

Stamps

Please bring along used stamps and place them in the box in the vestibule at the church building.

They are sent to World Mission at '121' who benefit in the region of £2,000 + per annum.

Please leave about one quarter of an inch around the stamp when you cut it off the envelope.

Computer Inkjet Cartridges

The Rotary Club of Girvan closed down at the end of 2021. Used inkjet cartridges will now only be collected in aid of the Leprosy Mission Scotland. It needs three particular makes for this purpose. Hewlett Packard (HP), Lexmark and Dell.

The Church will post them off. Please continue handing in the three names makes for all cartridges, into the box at the front door vestibule.

Many thanks for all cartridges previously given. TLM Scotland play a part in the exceptional work of caring and curing the dreaded disease of leprosy. *Thank You – Norma Logan*

Blythswood Care

The Blythswood Charity Shop in Prestwick has closed, with no guarantee of opening in the area in the near future.

We will no longer be able to collect unwanted or unused donations from the congregation.

This should not affect the Shoe Box Appeal, as a special uplift is made every year.

Remembrance Book

Our Remembrance Book is about to be updated. If you want to have your loved ones names written there, please contact me.

Violet Connor

Phone No. 712144

Treasurer's Report

During the first four months of 2023 our income has totalled £32,985 while our expenditure has been £36,567.

One or two of our members, who give their offerings via a Bank Standing Order, have recently increased the amount they give. If you have been giving the same amount for a number of years, perhaps you would like to review it and increase your offering, if you are able.

Quiz For Ukraine

Last year at this time we had a very successful quiz to help the people of Ukraine, raising over £1000. We have another one on sale this month for the same good cause.

The answers to the clues are British mammals. If you would like to buy a quiz, or sell some to your family and friends, please ask any church elder or get in touch with me. (713059 or MargaretWB43@gmail.com).

Quizzes are also on sale at the Sweetie Shop and the Paper Shop in Girvan.

May Newsletter for Girvan North.

Dear friends, As I write this Newsletter, we all await King Charles' Coronation on Saturday, May 6th, at Westminster Abbey. The Service will begin at 11am. We were all deeply saddened by Queen Elizabeth's passing last year, but we were greatly inspired by her service to the nation during her remarkable life, just as Charles was. What is notable is how old these Coronation rituals are. They date to many centuries before the Norman Conquest. Westminster Abbey was the venue for each Coronation since William the Conqueror was crowned in 1066. In September 925, King Athelstan was the first Monarch crowned with a crown, rather than a helmet, at Kingston-on-Thames, 11 miles from Westminster Abbey. Historians believe the Order that King Charles III will follow dates back at least to King Athelstan's time.

The Coronation is both religiously symbolic, and also the physical act of crowning a Monarch. The Monarch becomes head of the Church of England and receives all his titles and powers. It is not however necessary for the Monarch to be crowned King. King Edward VIII served as Monarch in 1936 without a Coronation, and King Charles III automatically became Monarch when Queen Elizabeth II passed away last year. King Charles will be crowned King in a 700-year-old Coronation Chair. As Charles stands beside the Chair, the congregation shouts: "God save the King"; trumpets will sound; an oath is sworn to uphold the Law and the Church of England; the Archbishop of Canterbury anoints the King with Holy oil made from a secret recipe; King Charles receives the Royal Orb giving him religious and moral authority; receives the Sceptre bestowing him with power; and receives the Sovereign's Sceptre symbolising justice and mercy. St. Edward's Crown is placed on the King's head. The King leaves the Coronation Chair and sits on the throne. Peers kneel before the Monarch. The Queen Consort is then crowned Queen. This ritualised Order can be compared to the ritualised Order which we observe in any formal Church Service. Yes, there will be questions over the cost of the Coronation as we go through a cost-of-living crisis, but in the greater scheme of things, the vast majority of the public will look forward to watching a wonderful spectacle that has the hope of binding

this country together. We are all searching for something that would provide us with the hope we all need, after living through a pandemic, and watching a constant stream of negative news stories every day. How would Jesus respond to such a spectacle? Jesus wanted to be crowned the King of Peace rather than someone who waged war. He was a spiritual, rather than a political, Messiah. He wanted to bring people together; end inequality; whilst seeking peace.

Despite King Charles' great wealth, I believe he wants to use this great wealth, and has already done so, to unite, rather than to divide, people; he wants to help those people who have less, and give them more opportunities to improve their lives; and he wants to restore peace, and give hope to our broken communities. Like Jesus, Charles' heart is in the right place. With the loving support of Queen Camilla by his side, we all hope he succeeds in changing this country for the better. He has a difficult task ahead of him, but with political and public support, anything becomes possible.

Kind regards, Glenn.

Looking for Volunteers!

We are looking for Helpers for our After Church Teas. If you think you could occasionally help out, we would love to hear from you. We are also keen to find any volunteer Flower Arrangers who could arrange our Sunday morning Church Flowers. Training is available, so please don't think experience is essential (but if you can already arrange flowers you are particularly welcome.). Please give some consideration to both these opportunities and let either Pauline or Agnes know if you would like to help out or need further information.

CROSSREACH

CROSSREACH is the social care arm of the Church of Scotland and delivers a fabulous service to vulnerable adults, families, children and elderly across Scotland. Many of our congregation have generously given to enable this valuable work to continue in the toughest of circumstances. Over the month of May perhaps we can remember the following CROSSREACH work in our prayers.

- 1. Lewis Street Project and Dochas, Stornoway providing residential support and support in the community for those recovering from addiction issues.
- 2. Clashfarquar House, Stonehaven a residential care home for elderly people, also providing day care and Respite Care for elderly in Stonehaven and surroundings.
- 3. The Bungalow, Stonehaven A specialist residential care home for adults with profound and multiple learning disabilities.
- 4. General Assembly Week CROSSREACH grew out of the appointment of the Committee of Life and work in 1869, and have been delivering a valued service in social care for over 150 years. We remember the dedication of CROSSREACH staff, across Scotland in our prayers, during General Assembly Week.

Please have a look at the CROSSREACH website to find out more or to make a purchase at the online shop or make a donation.

Church Diary

Afternoon Tea Tues 16 May 3pm

Kirk Session Wed 17 May

Christian Aid week 14-20 May

BB Closing parade and Prizegiving Sun 21 May

Car Service

The car service is available to anyone wishing a lift to and from the Sunday morning service. Anyone who would like to make use of this service, please contact me. We are also looking for drivers. Anyone willing to be part of this service, please contact me. Margaret Murdoch – Telephone 714515.

Ladies Afternoon Badminton Club

The Afternoon Club finished on Wednesday 19th April for the summer break.

The winter session was well attended and everyone has enjoyed the games and friendship.

Many thanks to all our ladies for their continued support and friendship in the running of the Club.

New members will be given a warm welcome when we start in September.

Further details will be in the September Church Magazine. Have a good summer.

Nancy Stewart

Afternoon Tea

Come and meet friends and enjoy Afternoon Tea in the large hall on Tuesday16th May at 3.00 pm.

All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you then.

Fundraising Action Team

Why do Brides Wear White?

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"

The mother replied, 'Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life.'

The child thought about this for a moment then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

Running To Church

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, 'Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!'

While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again!

As she ran she once again began to pray, 'Dear Lord, please don't let me be late...But please don't shove me either

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem . A small child replied, 'They couldn't get a baby-sitter. '

Prayer Topics for May

1. Leprosy Mission - Niger

Niger has been plagued with insecurity and attacks from terrorists and armed bandits. There are many communities that cannot be reached due to insecurity. Pray for lasting peace, safety and security and for God's protection on staff and people with leprosy. Niger has a very small population of Christians. Most of our beneficiaries do not know Christ. Pray for TLM Niger staff as they share the love of God with people affected by leprosy through the services we and partners provide.

2. Open Doors - Mexico

"When you respond to persecution appropriately you can win the community to Christ" says Pastor Lauro Nunez. He's seen locals from his indigenous community, even his persecutors, soften towards him after he resisted retaliation. Pray that this testimony will be replicated across Mexico, leading to people coming to know Jesus.

3. Mission Aviation Fellowship - Lesotho

Praise God that the people who originally rejected the Gospel in Kuebunyane, Lesotho, now recognise Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Pray for the Lorne Bible study groups in Tihanyaku and give thanks for the Lesotho Flying Pastors volunteer team which h, helped by our aircraft, supported a pastor in Matebeng and carried out house-to-house evangelism in the area.

Continue to pray for an end to the war in Ukraine with its senseless loss of so many precious lives. Pray for the rebuilding work in Syria and Turkey. Remember the people of Sudan caught up in the conflict. Pray for the Holy Land with all its problems.

In these days children are growing up not knowing the difference between right and wrong. Pray that current standards and laws would be challenged and changed for the better and children taught moral and godly behaviour and standards. Pray for children who haver never experienced real love and acceptance in their lives and those who have been abused.

Pray for the Church that changes being made will be only in line with

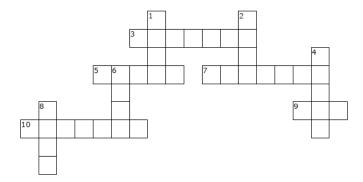
God's purposes and decisions come to after much prayer and consideration with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Uphold Glenn in his work and pray for Wanda's healing. Pray for a great revival in the church in this country and throughout the world and God's name be exalted and many souls experience salvation.

Girvan and District Men's Shed

Girvan and District Men's Shed offers a warm welcome to anyone over 18 years of age. We are members of the Scottish Men's Shed Association. All shedders start off as volunteers, they usually come for a few sessions and then want to become members, some become members straight away. We are based at Hamilton Park football ground which has parking, toilet facilities, and lovely views up the hills. We offer a Woodworking and Gardening project. We hope to offer other activities in the near future. At the moment we are open on a Tuesday and Thursday between 11am and 3pm. Those involved in the Gardening project also turn up on other days depending on what they want to do, or how they feel. If you, or anyone else you know, would like to be involved in a local group, enjoy having a chat and a laugh, then find out more by viewing our website: www.girvanmensshed.co.uk. You can contact us at girvanmensshed@gmail.com.

Kind regards, Peter Edwards.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3. To put to death on a cross
- The Old Testament man who received the Ten Commandments from God
- 7. A person who visits
- 9. A period of twenty four hours
- Carrying on a conversation with someone

DOWN

- 1. Not false
- 2. The organ which makes people able to see
- A food made from flour and water, mixed together and baked
- 6. Not closed
- 8. To travel on foot

OPEN	MOSES	DAY	WALK	VISITOR
TRUE	BREAD	EYES	TALKING	CRUCIFY



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Children's Worship Bulletin

On the Road to Emmaus

Luke 24:13-35

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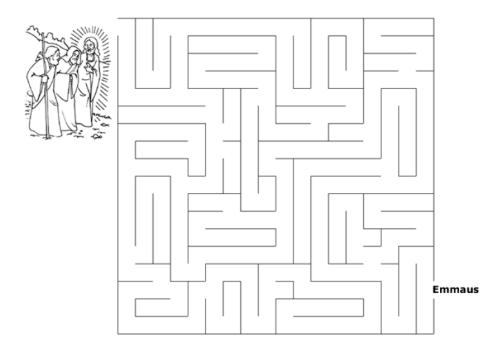
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Maze Puzzle

Follow Jesus on the road to Emmaus





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