

# CYPRIAN *Life*



**Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> December – 6.30pm – Carol Service**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December – 5pm – Christingle Service  
– 11.30pm – Festival Eucharist**



**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December – 10.30am – Christmas Holy Communion**

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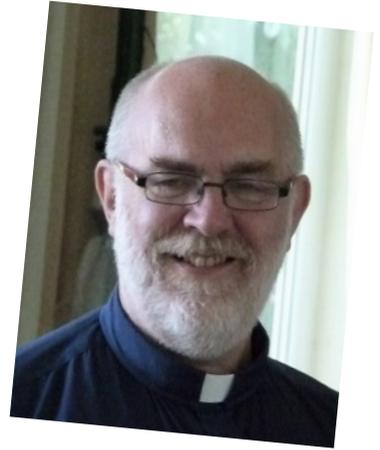
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# From the Rector



*Dear Friends,*

**I'm writing this letter shortly after returning from a holiday near Gairloch in the remote North West of Scotland. We stayed in a Cabin in a place called Badachro, just 10 feet from the sea (when the tide was in!). The cabin was basic, but had a huge French window looking East, with a settee to sit on to look out from. The setting was truly spectacular, as was the view from the window.**

Remarkably the view was ever changing. In the mornings we could, most days, watch the sunrise over the mountains with a vision that changed each day. Sometimes it was clouded. Other times the sky was clear and we could watch the red sunrise. One day we had a "Mackerel" sky, and the sky and reflection in the sea like a huge red and orange tapestry. We could look out and sometimes see seals or otters just yards away. We could watch the different boats coming and going. We could watch the tides going up and down, one day having the highest tide of the autumn. One thing for sure is that the view from the window was never static; there was always something new to see, always something different

happening. It was a great place to stay.

It is easy to think of the stories of the bible, and particularly the well known stories of the great festivals, as being pretty static. The Christmas story has the annunciation when Mary is told by Gabriel she is going to be a mother. It has a young couple travelling to Jerusalem for the census, and of course there was nowhere to stay in the Inn. It has a baby born in a stable, wrapped in swaddling clothes, laid in a manger. Of course there were the visitors, the Shepherds and Wise men, and the baddie of the story – Herod who wanted to kill all the babies in Bethlehem. It's the same characters year after year, the same story, year after year . . . . I remember someone in their late sixties once saying in a bible study group – why do we need to learn about Jesus now, we learnt about Him in Sunday school!

On one level the view from our Cabin in Badachro was unchanging. It was the same sea. The same small Island a hundred yards away. The same mountains in the distance. The same sky we looked up to. And yet there was a constant changing of the picture, a constant changing of the view, such that the picture was always new, there was always something different to see. For me the

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# Magazine & DNS Deadline

The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available in Church on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017. The deadline for material is 22<sup>nd</sup> January and the magazine will cover February and March 2017.

Please pass notes, articles, photographs and anything else that may be of interest to other members of the congregation to me by the deadline in order to give time for typesetting and printing. Electronic format is preferred since this is usually quicker and more accurate.

Please let me know about what is important to you. It is great to be able to report family events and things happening in our local community. Thank you.

Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan News is now up and running under the editorship of Susan Walker. I incorporate items that I hope might interest members of the congregation into this magazine.

Susan is keen to encourage individual members of congregations to subscribe to the mailing list. You can do so at [news.church.scot](http://news.church.scot), where you can also read the latest edition. The email newsletter takes the form of brief paragraphs with links to fuller articles on the Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan website and, where appropriate, other sites. The diocesan website is now at [church.scot](http://church.scot), but [www.glasgow.anglican.org](http://www.glasgow.anglican.org) still works.

Susan is also encouraging us to contribute by sending any items for the newsletter to her at [news@church.scot](mailto:news@church.scot). There's no stated deadline, but they need to be in a few days before the email comes out (usually on the second last Friday of the month).

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## From the Rector

Christmas story is on one level the same each year, with the same elements, the same characters, yet every year there are new things to see, new things to discover if we are open to the story and events of that first Christmas 2000 years ago.

As we looked out of our French Window on holiday, we always had questions. What sort of bird is that? Did you see that seal? Is the tide coming in? Is that a dog on that rowing boat? Why is the cloud covering that mountain? What's the weather like out there? Every day there were new things to see, new questions to ask.

So with Christmas – if we are open to Christmas, and the great events of that festival, there are always new things to see, new questions to ask. Let me offer some: Why were the Shepherds the first people informed? What was the angel like that visited Mary. Why are Matthew and Luke's versions of the story so different in their emphases? Who were the Wise Men? Why gold? Or Frankincense. How

## Cover Photo

**Each year in recent times, we've done something 'alternative' to decorate the church for Advent and/or Christmas.**

The cover picture shows the church as it was decorated for Christmas last year. A massive crib mobile had been created by a small band of craftspeople and hung in the middle of the church. There's a bump for the baby Jesus and a notice saying 'BABY ASLEEP. DO NOT DISTURB'.

We'll be doing something again this year. See page 15 for more information.

do you spell Merr (Mhur? Myrrh? Mer?)? Or perhaps the questions are more personal. Why does this baby matter to me? Why is it so important that Jesus came as a baby? Can I hold on to the witness of Mary for myself, when she said: “Be it to me as the Lord pleases.”



The remarkable thing is that every year, every Christmas, I find new things, new questions to ask, new insights, especially when I remain open to the great story of Christmas. When I remain open to Christmas, then Christmas nourishes me not with Turkey, but with more knowledge, more insight, more experience of the love that Christ has for me, that God had for me by sending his son. There is always something new. There are always new questions to explore.

This Christmas I invite everyone – stay open to Christmas, because in that openness you will know more of the Glory of God in his love for you, in the coming of his Son, Jesus Christ.

*Best wishes*

*Les*

## **The Link**

**For the latest information about events at St Cyprian’s, please check the *Link* each week in Church or on our web site:**

**[www.stcyprianslenzie.com](http://www.stcyprianslenzie.com)**

The Link and the colour version of this magazine can be downloaded in PDF format by clicking on the links on the Publications page (older copies of the Link are in Word format).

If you would like to add an event to the Link and/or the website, please email the details to [link@stcyprianslenzie.com](mailto:link@stcyprianslenzie.com) or phone the Rector on 0141-776 3866.

## **Pastoral Care**

**One of the important purposes of Christ’s church is to provide the love and care we all need.**

If you, or anyone you know, would like a visit from a priest or the opportunity for a confidential chat and a prayer, please contact the Revd. Les Ireland, who will be happy to help in any way he can.

St. Cyprian’s also has a number of people who are authorised to visit and simply be a trusted friend who can be there to listen if you wish. Les can put you in touch with an appropriate person that may be best qualified to help. Please telephone Les on 0141-776 3866.

# Bishop Gregor's Christmas 2016 Message

**As I write, the clocks have gone back and things are getting darker. People now talk of light deprivation as a medical condition and it does seem that some of us are susceptible to all of that.**

But, at this time of the year, there's a lot of extra light around. Crowds of people out shopping and enjoying themselves among the brightly lit streets. Christmas lights and Christmas attractions. And, here in Glasgow, down at the St Enoch Centre, the wooden booths of the Christmas market, gluwain, bratwurst and those wonderful German Christmas robins, like the one I bought a couple of years ago, on sale once more. Wet, grey, dark there of course too, but surrounded by light, colour, life, fun.

It's easy enough, it's fatally easy enough, for Christian people like us, to dismiss all of this as so much tinselly trivia, utterly unrelated to what we like to call the "true meaning of Christmas". Well, if you have thoughts like that, let me try to persuade you this Christmastide to give them up, once and for all.

People like us who will gather at the Christmas eucharist to welcome the true light who lightens everyone coming into the world, have no business being sniffy about people's desire at a dark time of the year to enjoy light and warmth and being together in that light and warmth. We should have the imagination to sense that, however vaguely, this is a very natural, very human, and so ultimately God-given reaching out for something better that lies beyond the often dark and grim realities of the world we live in – and, God knows, they are dark enough.

So, for us, far from being nowhere near the

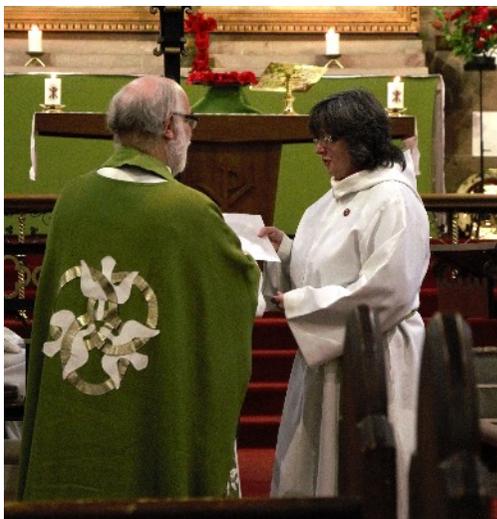
true meaning of Christmas, the Christmas lights in streets, on countless trees, the reindeers and snowmen plastered all over houses or wherever, should point us towards another light. And here's the difference – sometime in January all the Christmas and seasonal lights and all the Christmas and seasonal attractions will disappear, put away for another year. Like many people I hate taking all my own lights and cards and tree down – the house looks so bare – but I ought to remember that the light we have been celebrating in the twelve days of Christmas shines all the year round and can never be taken away or extinguished.

One of the simplest and yet most powerful testimonies I ever heard to this great hope of ours was offered by one of my curates when I was Rector of St Ninian's in Pollokshields on the south side of Glasgow. He was taking some children round that wonderful church and they noticed the white light burning above the altar of the side chapel, where the sacrament of consecrated bread and wine was kept. Why was that light burning away there? Well, he said, it is there to remind us that Jesus the light of the world is always with us so that, even if we came into this big church in the dark we needn't be afraid because Jesus is here, Jesus is with us, the light still burns.

So, this coming Christmastide let's allow ourselves to be pointed once again towards that single, world-changing, all-important truth, the Light of the World. He came into the world all those years ago looking for us and He comes into our midst this Christmas on the same quest, to embrace us with joy and wonder so that we may do the very same to Him.

+Gregor

# Re-Licensing



Every three years in our diocese, those in “recognised” ministries have to be re-licensed. Last year it was pastoral assistants, the year before, readers and worship leaders, but this year it is Eucharistic Assistants. The licensing process is always a bit of a faff, but for me it does provide a valuable moment. It's valuable because it reminds us to stop, and to give thanks for people who do a great job, who are only really noticed when something goes wrong, when there is opportunity to complain!

So, taking this moment – I would like to thank our Eucharistic Assistants for all they do, and for the gracious and committed way they carry out their tasks. So.....

.....Many thanks to Paul Hindle, Sally Haddon, Jackie Barker, Adrian Clark, Bill Watt and Mary Haigh for all that you do, and the fantastic way you do it.

(The photo is of Mary receiving her license on Remembrance Sunday –Paul and camera were in the congregation that day.)

# Secrets of Success?

**Malia Obama – daughter of Barak and Michelle Obama wrote this, which I think is fantastic:**

In bed, I was asking myself; “what are some of the secrets to success in life?” I found the answer right there in my very room. The fan said, “be cool”, the roof said, “aim high”, the window said, “see the world”, the clock said, “every minute is precious”, the mirror said, “reflect before you act”. The calendar said, “be up to date”. The door said, “push hard for your goals”. The Rug said “kneel down and pray”. The toilet said “flush the Bad habits that will deter you from becoming someone influential in life!” The Holy Book laughed and said, “read me for direction”.

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## From Bishop Gregor:

**We have now been able to send the final cheque for the Bishop's Lent Appeal to the Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation. It amounted to the wonderful total of £14,123.55.**

So, once again, all over the Diocese, you have been hugely generous in your response. I am deeply grateful to and very proud of our Diocese. I thank you all as warmly as I possibly can!

All blessings,

+Gregor

# Year A: The Gospel of Matthew

**When setting the readings for our church, we, as with most other denominations, work on a three year cycle. We have years A, B, and C. The church year starts on Advent Sunday. This coming year – 2017, is year A.**

Each year emphasises a particular gospel. Year A – this coming year – takes most of the gospel readings from Matthew’s Gospel (although some of the readings particularly at special occasions may be taken from John’s Gospel.) So, what to look out for, as we read St. Matthew’s gospel?



Well, before we talk about Matthew’s gospel, we need to talk about the old testament. In the Old Testament there are books of rules. There are books of prophecy and history. But there is a group of books – feeling a bit like those that don’t fit into the other categories – called the wisdom books, or the writings. The books include “Proverbs,” “Job,” and “Ecclesiastes.” What we see in these books is sayings, or teaching based on events or stories.

The book of Matthew is written by someone with a Jewish background, who seems to come from that “wisdom” tradition. What the writer appears to do is take stories – many from the book of Mark – and on the basis of those stories, lets Jesus speak wisdom, and records that wisdom. It is very much a book of wisdom, rather than the book of events and stories of the life of Jesus.

So first – it is a book of wisdom to inspire the way we live and inspire our following of Christ. However, there are other themes to look out for.

Firstly there are many more links between the old testament and Matthew’s gospel than in

the other three gospels. Much of what Matthew wants to say is about how Jesus fulfils the law and Jewish teaching, particularly that Jesus is the expected Messiah. For the Jews the coming of the Messiah (in some form) was paramount 2000 years ago, and there was a great fervour of expectation in Israel at the time. Matthew wants to make it clear – Jesus was and is the Messiah.

Secondly Matthew emphasises the Links between Jesus and the great old Testament characters. They appear at the transfiguration. Jesus is often called “The Son of David.” Many of the events of the life of Jesus have strong parallels in the life of Moses. The notion of “The Kingdom of Heaven” which features strongly in Matthew’s Gospel refers back to Old Testament ideas. All of this is to emphasise the continuity between the Old Testament, Jesus and the Church.

Thirdly in Matthew the conflict between Jesus and the Jewish Authorities is written large. The emphasis is that it is through Jesus that the Jewish Tradition has continuity, not through the leaders of the Israelite people.

Finally Matthew seems to have a particular interest in the nature of the Church, post the life of Christ. He wants to paint that church as the true continuation of the line of God, the group of people to whom the wisdom of Christ – not just the life of Christ – is given.

Matthew’s gospel is great reading. Through the year I’m sure people will recognise the “Jewish” nature of the book, whole-heartedly connected to the Law and the Old Testament as a whole. Through it there is that emphasis – here is wisdom from God, based on the life of Christ, to help the church be God’s people today, in continuity with God’s people throughout history. Here is the Jesus, the only, unique, expected, anointed Messiah himself.

# Jennifer Fleming - RIP

**In October we had the funeral of Jennifer Fleming at St. Cyprian's Church. I've only known Jennifer since I came to Scotland, taking communion to her as she lived in Canniesburn Care Home where she was very happy.**

Even in that time, I knew her as a very positive lady, a lady with great social skills, a lady who cared for me, even as her confusion caused her mind to mix things up, even as her mobility deteriorated over recent months. In truth her death came as shock, having only seen her a couple of weeks before she died when she was still cheerful, although for the first time in a wheel chair.

Jennifer had a great love for her faith. She loved to take communion. She loved to talk

about "Dear Old St. Cyprian's," particularly remembering hosting Sunday school picnics and games days at her home 40 odd years ago. Jennifer's loyalty was very much to St. Cyprian's, although her husband was an elder in the Kirk and she supported him in that ministry.

Jennifer was also a great family lady, a lady of strong values, a lady with a "can-do" attitude, but a lady who was very caring, particularly to her two sons and their families, and to her sister.

For Jennifer life had got a bit much over recent times, and God waits for us at the right moment with his arms wide open in welcome. I'm sure our prayers are with Jennifer's family and friends at this time.

Les

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## Flourishing Seed

**I recently received this E.mail. These sorts of E-mails are always encouraging to know the "impact" our church has made in the wider world. Does anyone remember Iaen and his family?**

Dear Revd Ireland,

I am an Anglican Priest based on the Isle of Man and have just been appointed to my first parish, post curacy. The Bishop's Chaplain has requested a Baptism & Confirmation certificate from me. I don't know how I got this far without producing them before! Would you be able to facilitate obtaining these certificates for me? If there is a cost attached to this please let me know and I will send a cheque.

My family and I used to be regular attenders at St Cyprian's when we firstly lived in Kirkintilloch and subsequently Lennoxton.

My father has written the reverse of my birth certificate that I was Baptised on the 19th October 1958 by Cannon Kay. I am not sure when I was confirmed. I can remember the day's events very clearly (which is no help!) I think I must have been the early 1970s. Sadly both my parents are dead now so there is no one left to ask.

I think St Cyprian's was a big influence on my early years; attending Sunday School, helping my father with cutting the grass and pruning the shrubs and trees (I think we over did it once and got into a bit of bother for it). We used to be on the Church cleaning rota. Happy days. It was the Eucharists that had the biggest effect on me. I knew even then that they were something special.

So well done St Cyprian's, you never know where the seed will land and grow and flourish.

Kind regards,

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Revd Iaen MacDonald Skidmore.

The meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> October with Pharmacist Arlene Forrest was both very interesting and very informative. Arlene talked about how pharmacy has developed over the years, the role of the pharmacist and how it has changed, and what we can expect the pharmacist of today to be able to help us with when we pop in for our prescriptions.

Our November meeting was spent tidying up the artificial decorations that we had already created including at the Craft & Chat meeting (*photo right*) to be sold at the Church Christmas Fair. Lots of chat, some very nice soup with homemade bread rolls, and discussion about the December meeting took place.

This will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December after the main service, when the MU ladies will provide lunch for everyone who would like to come and join us. Great food and again – lots of chat - as we move towards Christmas.



The Branch AGM will take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January followed by a short talk from Amy and Debbie from Applebays. Hopefully they will tell us a little about the childcare group so that we can support them in their work with the children.

As always please feel free to come to any of our meetings – we would love to have you

**Maxine Gow**  
Branch Leader



**St Cyprian's Mothers' Union**  
**Invites YOU to Sunday Lunch**  
**11<sup>th</sup> December 2015**  
after the main Service

Donations to the Christmas Appeal would be appreciated

**On behalf of the Mission can I say a big ‘thank you’ for all the Harvest Festival donations – I had several full bags of foodstuffs to take in the car the week after the service when I went for my weekly cooking class. I know just how much these donations mean to those who receive them.**

For some time we have been known at the Mission as ‘The Stock Cube Church’ and I would also like to thank everyone who

regularly leaves them at the back of the church. There have been some changes in the way food is being prepared – mainly because of a recent health inspection. I have noticed over the last month that the soup made each day has been made with Bisto Bouillon Paste, and not with our stock cubes. The Bouillon Pastes come in different varieties – vegetable, ham, chicken, just like the stock cubes, but is easier to use because you just spoon it into the soup instead of peeling the paper off lots of little cubes. It can I believe be bought in cash and carry’s like Costco but I have no idea how expensive it is. I am happy to investigate this and wondered if you would prefer to give me donations towards the cost of the Bouillon Paste, which I could then buy on your behalf.

**Maxine Gow**

## Award for Aileen



*Maxine presented the award in her capacity as County Commissioner along with County President Morag Hart MBE JP DL and deputy Scottish Chief Commissioner Eileen Martin (right in picture)*

**I recently went to the Girlguiding Dunbartonshire’s Annual Review, which was an evening which included lots of presentations. I was quite surprised, as was she, that a member of our congregation got a special award for 30 years service to guiding.**

I’m sure everyone will join me in saying congratulations to Aileen Mundy on this great award.

Aileen said she was very honoured and it came as a total surprise as you can see by her expression.

**Les**

# So how did I find the Christmas

Well, to be honest I walked through the church door and there it was! Colourful, welcoming, cheerful, with a mountain of stuff from Christmas decorations to cakes to jewellery to crafts and fancy stuff and a trainload of bric-a-brac, all topped off with a fun kids corners with games and toys . . . . .



And then I went through the nave, through a door and found a whole lot more! Books. Tombola, jam, and enough tea, coffee, cakes, sandwiches and bacon butties to feed an army. A Very large army!!!!

**So how did I find the Christmas Fair?** To be honest



I found it hard work. All the setting up beforehand. Moving furniture, advertising, setting up tables, and just as hard work after clearing up, and an amazing job was done setting up and clearing up by all . . .



# Fair?

**So how did I find the Christmas Fair?** I found it a great place to meet and chat to a lot of really nice people. Other people running stalls. Customers. Helpers. And particularly great to meet the young girls? Ladies? - the wonderful group of young people who helped



so much in the cafe/refreshments area. They were just fantastic, and a credit to themselves, their families, and to the Guide troupe they are part of.

**So how did I find the Christmas Fair?** I found it a place where our church showed itself as a great place to be part of. My prayer is that some of the 150+ customers will say – that's a building I want to worship in. That's a group of Christians I want to be part of.



**So how did I find the Christmas Fair?** I found it an event that will provoke reflection. We will need to ask how we might change it for next year, how we might improve it for next year. It was hard work. It is a huge event. We do struggle at times to repeat what we have always done.





Already time to start asking – how might we change it.....

**So how did I find the Christmas Fair?** Some people would say – don't know – how much money did we make? Well, I'm writing this before I know any totals.



And already I can proclaim it was a great success. How much money? Who really cares, and it makes no difference to how successful our great annual event is. It simply was again a great day.

**Les**



(PS: I lived in Lancashire for many years and they were always called butties!! I was amazed that the spell-checker on my computer didn't recognise the word).

(PPS: Just before writing this article I was looking on Facebook and saw a great quote: "When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace." Written, not by a great philosopher or theologian, but by Jimmi Hendrix!)

# Something Alternative

In our church over recent years, it has become a tradition to do something different as a general activity through Advent to add something “alternative” to the decorations of our church.

Last year had the stable mobile. The previous year we had alternative Advent candles, the year before that the “Frankenstein Crib scene” – unforgettable!!!! This year we have some ideas . . .

If you want to get involved – and everyone is welcome to help, however fit and healthy, however young and old – then come along on any or all of the Monday afternoons through Advent, from 1pm – 3pm. We’ll be there on the 28<sup>th</sup> November (co-inciding with Craft and Chat), 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December.

It is a great fun afternoon, and we sup tea and coffee, but it adds something new to our church for our Christmas celebrations.



## Craft and Chat

As indicated here, our meetings will coincide with ‘Something Alternative’ for December.

The January meeting will be a week earlier than usual on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Choir Vestry from 1 - 3pm. Come together to chat over a cup of tea or coffee while we do our favourite crafts. If you don’t have a portable craft, just come and enjoy the company.

Glennis



### Lenzie and Kirkintilloch Action Group

This year’s quiz will be available very shortly. Priced £1, it’s very good for keeping mixed generations of family occupied at Christmas!

Entries should be in by Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January and the winner will be announced at the:

### Afternoon Tea

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
1.45pm

Lenzie Union Parish Church



**acts**  
in Kirkintilloch  
and Lenzie



Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 7pm

Service for the

*Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*

Hillhead Parish Church

Preacher: Revd Louise McClements  
(new Minister at Lenzie Old)

# Fireworks Pet Blessing

Our annual pet blessing service was held on Guy Fawkes day, which, given the consternation fireworks cause pets, was most appropriate to strengthen them for the ordeal.

Our resident photographer was not available, but the Kirky Herald one was and there was a good spread in the 23<sup>rd</sup> November edition. The photos can also be viewed on line - search for St Cyprian's Lenzie Pet Blessing 2016.

## Music at St Cyprian's

Is planning a concert with the

# Alistair Savage Trio

28<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 7.30pm

Check the Link nearer the time  
for final confirmation



**Music at St.Cyprian's**  
Scottish Episcopal Church,  
Beech Road, Lenzie G66 4HN  
**Winter Music Series 2016-17**

**Saturday**  
**3rd December at 7.30pm**

# DRAKE ENSEMBLE

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# Antonine Trio



**The Trio got the Winter Music Season off to a fine start with a wide variety of music adapted to their unusual line-up.**

We are most grateful to Sue Baxendale (horn), Steven Faughey (baritone) and Derek Clark (piano) for such a varied and entertaining evening, and hope it won't be too long before they are back in St. Cyprian's.

# CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

The Church will be decorated for Christmas on  
**SATURDAY, 17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016 at 9.30am**

Donations of holly, ivy and flowers  
would be much appreciated.

Help will be needed to put up the  
Christmas tree and crib, arrange flowers, clean  
the brasses, make tea and coffee and generally  
tidy up.

A job for everyone, so please come along  
to help—you will be most welcome.

There will be plenty of chat and  
mince pies!

## CLEAR UP MORNING

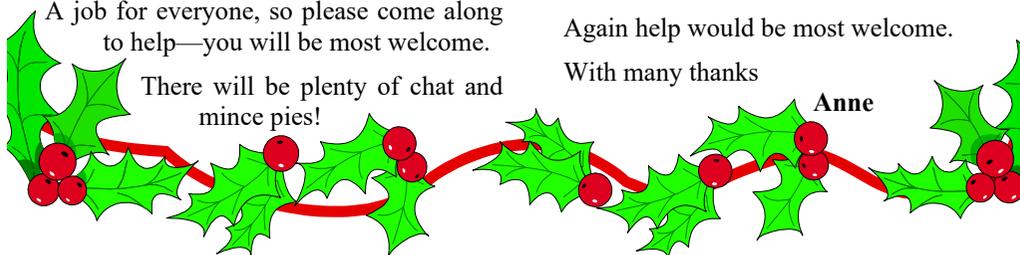
**THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017  
at 10.45am**

The tree and decorations need to be  
taken down and packed away

Again help would be most welcome.

With many thanks

Anne



## Altar Guild

4 <sup>th</sup> December	Aileen Mundy *
11 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Pat Hindle *
*Advent. Brasses Only	
25 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Festival Team
1 <sup>st</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2017	Anne Carswell
29 <sup>th</sup> January & 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Anne Carswell & Mary Boyd

## Fair Trade



St Cyprian's is a Fair Trade Church and is  
therefore committed to using Fair Trade products  
wherever practical. We also run a fair trade stall,  
but because so much Fair Trade produce can be  
purchased in our local shops and supermarkets, we  
have now reduced the frequency. The next stalls will  
coincide with our Harvest Festival.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016 - Anne Carswell

# Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

## DECEMBER 2016

### Daily Prayers

- 1<sup>st</sup> For all those living with HIV and AIDS
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thanksgiving for living fellowship
- 3<sup>rd</sup> The rejection of discrimination and stigmatisation

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December Second Sunday of Advent

### ANGLICAN

Karnataka North (South India): The Rt Revd Ravikumar J. Niranjana

### DIOCESAN

Holy Trinity & St Barnabas, Paisley (Tom Wilson)

### Daily Prayers

- 5<sup>th</sup> The People of Finland (National Independence Day)
- 6<sup>th</sup> The continuing refugee crisis
- 7<sup>th</sup> Samaritan's Purse and Operation Christmas Child
- 8<sup>th</sup> "Women's Aid", helping those affected by domestic abuse
- 9<sup>th</sup> The National Meningitis Trust
- 10<sup>th</sup> St Cyprian's Mother's Union

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December Third Sunday of Advent

### ANGLICAN

Kericho (Kenya): Vacant

### DIOCESAN

St John the Evangelist, Greenock; St Bartholomew's, Gourock (Vacant)

### Daily Prayers

- 12<sup>th</sup> Victim Support Scotland, helping those affected by crime
- 13<sup>th</sup> Those who are affected by visual and/or aural impairment

- 14<sup>th</sup> Our preparations for the Christmas Festival
- 15<sup>th</sup> For oppressed and persecuted Christians and martyrs
- 16<sup>th</sup> Those who find Christmas a difficult time of year
- 17<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Child Protection Coordinator Anne Jones

## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent

### ANGLICAN

Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh (Armagh, Ireland): The Rt Revd Ferran Glenfield

### DIOCESAN

North Ayrshire Team: St Andrew's, Ardrossan; St Peter's, Dalry; St Andrew's, Irvine (Martin Sofield, Sandy Montgomerie, Linda Whitby, Margaret Williams)

### Daily Prayers

- 19<sup>th</sup> Worship and thanksgiving for answered prayer
- 20<sup>th</sup> For all those exploring new aspects of Christian life
- 21<sup>st</sup> Safety for those travelling over the holiday period
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Effective mission and expansion of congregations
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Hope for those who are struggling with doubts
- 24<sup>th</sup> Peace throughout the world

## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day

### ANGLICAN

Kitale (Kenya): The Rt Revd Stephen Kewasis

### DIOCESAN

South Ayrshire Team: Holy Trinity, Ayr; St Oswald's, Maybole (Andrew Baldock)

# & Daily Intentions

## Daily Prayers

- 26<sup>th</sup> Worship and thanksgiving for the birth of our Lord
- 27<sup>th</sup> Love for God and our neighbour
- 28<sup>th</sup> Children in distress and despair
- 29<sup>th</sup> The Ascension Trust – training Street Pastors
- 30<sup>th</sup> Street Pastors, keeping our young “clubbers” safe
- 31<sup>st</sup> Thanksgiving for the year at an end

## JANUARY 2017

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January

#### First after Christmas

#### The Naming of Jesus

##### ANGLICAN

Kolhapur (North India): The Rt Revd Bathuel Tiwade

##### DIOCESAN

Holy Trinity, Kilmarnock (Vacancy, Ian Boffey); St Columba's, Largs (Gordon Fyfe)

##### Daily Prayers

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thanksgiving for every new beginning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> All the peoples of the world
- 4<sup>th</sup> The work of Deaf-blind Scotland
- 5<sup>th</sup> Families, especially those facing problems or divisions
- 6<sup>th</sup> For teachers and children returning to school
- 7<sup>th</sup> For 'Big Issue' sellers and all trying to make a fresh start



### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January

#### First after Epiphany

#### The Baptism of the Lord

##### ANGLICAN

Kuching (South East Asia): The Rt Revd Bolly Lapok; Assistant Bishop of Kuching: The Rt Revd Solomon Cheong Sung Voon

##### DIOCESAN

St Ninian's, Troon (Tom Montgomery)  
St Ninian's, Prestwick (Jane Ross)

##### Daily Prayers

- 9<sup>th</sup> The Church of Sweden (Torben Clemmenson)
- 10<sup>th</sup> The work of “Hart for the City” and Lukas Njenga
- 11<sup>th</sup> Ministers of the Sacrament and Pastoral Visitors
- 12<sup>th</sup> Families, especially those facing problems or divisions
- 13<sup>th</sup> Bearsden and Kirkintilloch Baptist Churches
- 14<sup>th</sup> The people and the city of Glasgow

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January

#### Second after Epiphany

##### ANGLICAN

Kyoto (Japan): The Rt Revd Stephen Takashi Kochi; Kyushu (Japan): The Rt Revd Luke Ken-ichi Muto

##### DIOCESAN

Annandale Group: St John the Evangelist, Annan; St John the Evangelist, Eastriggs; All Saints', Gretna; All Saints', Lockerbie; St John the Evangelist, Moffat (Martin Callaghan, John Macleod, John Stevenson, Melvyn Redgers)

##### Daily Prayers

- 16<sup>th</sup> All Bible Study groups and Prayer groups

# Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer & Daily Intentions

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- 17<sup>th</sup> Pope Benedict XVI and the Church of Rome
- 18<sup>th</sup> The Ministry Advisory Group for Christian Unity
- 19<sup>th</sup> Worldwide action for human rights
- 20<sup>th</sup> The established Church in Scotland
- 21<sup>st</sup> Lutheran and Reformed Churches

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January Third after Epiphany

### ANGLICAN

Lake Rukwa (Tanzania): The Rt Revd Mathayo Kasagara

### DIOCESAN

St Ninian's, Castle Douglas (David Bayne, David Main, Douglas Allison, Alan Rumble); St Margaret of Scotland, New Galloway (John Repath)

### Daily Prayers

- 23<sup>rd</sup> The Diocesan Supernumerary
- 24<sup>th</sup> The SEC General Synod Office
- 25<sup>th</sup> All Christian charities and aid agencies
- 26<sup>th</sup> The National Health Service
- 27<sup>th</sup> Missions to Seafarers and the work of the RNLI
- 28<sup>th</sup> All writers and communicators

## Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January Fourth after Epiphany

### ANGLICAN

Lichfield (Canterbury, England): The Rt Revd Michael Iprgrave; Lichfield - Shrewsbury (Canterbury, England): The Rt Revd Mark James Rylands; Lichfield - Stafford (Canterbury, England): The Rt Revd Geoffrey Peter Annas; Lichfield - Wolverhampton

(Canterbury, England): The Rt Revd Clive Gregory

### DIOCESAN

All Saints', Challoch, with the Whithorn Fellowship; St John the Evangelist, Stranraer; St Ninian's, Portpatrick (Michael Hills)

### Daily Prayers

- 30<sup>th</sup> Eastern Orthodox Churches
- 31<sup>st</sup> Respect and understanding for people of different faiths

## FEBRUARY 2017

- 1<sup>st</sup> For Christian Stewardship
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Our Diocesan Registrar, David Ballantine
- 3<sup>rd</sup> All those involved in Social Care
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving for companions on the journey of faith

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February Fifth after Epiphany

### ANGLICAN

Lomega (Loryko, Sudan): The Rt Revd Paul Yugusuk

### DIOCESAN

St Francis of Assisi (Greyfriars), Kirkcudbright; St Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet (Stephen Hazlett)



# Sunday Readings

## **Advent 2**

*4<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

Isaiah 11.1-10

Psalms 72.1-7,18-19

Romans 15.4-13

Matthew 3.1-12

## **Advent 3**

*11<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

Isaiah 35.1-10

Psalms 146.4-9

James 5.7-10

Matthew 11.2-11

## **Advent 4**

*18<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

Isaiah 7.10-16

Psalms 80.1-7,16-18

Romans 1.1-7

Matthew 1.18-25

## **Christmas Day**

*25<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

(also Christmas Eve  
Midnight Service)

Isaiah 9.2-7

Psalms 96

Titus 2.11-14

Luke 2.1-14 (15-20)

## **Christmas 1**

*1<sup>st</sup> January 2017*

Isaiah 63.7-9

Psalms 148

Hebrews 2.10-18

Matthew 2.13-23

*OR*

Numbers 6.22-27

Psalms 8

Galatians 4.4-7

*OR* Philippians 2.5-11

Luke 2.15-21

## **Epiphany 1**

*8<sup>th</sup> January 2017*

Isaiah 42.1-9

Psalms 29

Acts 10.34-43

Matthew 3.13-17

## **Epiphany 2**

*15<sup>th</sup> January 2017*

Isaiah 49.1-7

Psalms 40.1-12

1 Corinthians 1.1-9

John 1.29-42

## **Epiphany 3**

*22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017*

Isaiah 9.1-4

Psalms 27.1,5-13

1 Corinthians 1.10-18

Matthew 4.12-23

## **Epiphany 4**

*29<sup>th</sup> January 2017*

Micah 6.1-8

Psalms 15

1 Corinthians 1.18-31

Matthew 5.1-12

## **Epiphany 5**

*5<sup>th</sup> February 2017*

Isaiah 58.1-9a,(9b-12)

Psalms 112.1-9(10)

1 Corinthians 2.1-12(13-16)

Matthew 5.13-20

# Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the congregation of St Cyprian's Scottish Episcopal Church, Lenzie will be held in the Church Hall after the 10.30 am Sung Eucharist starting at approximately 12 noon  
on

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

All members of the congregation are invited to attend

# Kalendar

## DECEMBER 2016

<b>Thu 1<sup>st</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
<b>Sat 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	7,30pm	Music at St. Cyprian's with <b>The Drake String Quartet</b>
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<b>Sun 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	12noon	<b>Annual General Meeting</b> of the Congregation
	3pm	Service at Lillyburn
<b>Thu 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Conception of Mary, Mother of the Lord</b>	
	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
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<b>Sun 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	12 noon	Mother's Union Congregational <b>Christmas Lunch</b> in the Hall followed by a Tea Party for "Contact the Elderly"
<b>Wed 14<sup>th</sup>, Fri 16<sup>th</sup> and Sat 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ember Days</b>	
<b>Thu 15<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
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<b>Sun 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	3pm	Afternoon Service
	6.30pm	Carol Service
<b>Wed 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Thomas, Apostle</b>	
<b>Thu 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
<b>Sat 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b>	
	5pm	Christingle Service
	11.30pm	Midnight Festival Eucharist
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<b>Sun 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>	
	10.30am	Holy Communion (said)
<b>Mon 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</b>	
<b>Tue 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>John, Apostle and Evangelist</b>	
<b>Wed 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Holy Innocents</b>	
<b>Thu 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>John, Apostle and Evangelist</b>	
	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry

## JANUARY 2017

<b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>First after Christmas – The Naming of Jesus</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	3pm	Service at Lillyburn

**Please see the Link for changes to the Kalendar. If you missed getting a copy at Church, it can be downloaded from: [link.stcyprianslenzie.com](http://link.stcyprianslenzie.com).**

<b>Thu 5<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
<b>Fri 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Epiphany</b>	
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<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>First after Epiphany – The Baptism of the Lord</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup></b>	1pm	Mothers' Union meeting in the Vestry with Amy and Debbie from Applebays
<b>Thu 12<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
<b>Fri 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Kentigern (or Mungo)</b>	
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<b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second after Epiphany</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	3pm	Afternoon Service
<b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Confession of Peter</b>	
<b>Thu 19<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
	1.45pm	Scottish Bible Society, Burns Afternoon Tea at Lenzie Union Parish Church Hall, Moncrieff Avenue
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<b>Sun 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Third after Epiphany</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Mon 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	1pm	<b>Craft and Chat</b> with Glennis in the Vestry
<b>Wed 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Conversion of Paul, Apostle</b>	
	7pm	Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Hillhead Parish Church - more details on p15
<b>Thu 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Timothy and Titus, Bishops</b>	
	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
<b>Sat 28<sup>th</sup></b>	7.30pm	Music at St Cyprian's - Alistair Savage Trio (to be confirmed)
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<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fourth after Epiphany</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist

## **FEBRUARY 2017**

<b>Thu 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Presentation of the Lord</b>	
	10am	Holy Communion in Vestry
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<b>Sun 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fifth after Epiphany</b>	
	9.15am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
	3pm	Service at Lillyburn

# Sunday Duty Rota

Date	10.30am										Counting
	9.15 am	Crucifer	Server	Old Testament	New Testament	Intercessions	Sides Persons	Coffee			
4 Dec	Sally Hadden	Adrian Clark	Jackie Barker	Gavin Boyd	Janet Faughey	Maxine Gow	Andy Robb & Maxine Gow	Aileen Mundy			Paul Hindle & Aileen Mundy
11 Dec	Adrian Clark	Paul Hindle	Mary Haigh	Kevin Wilbraham	Eileen Ferry	Mary Haigh	Kevin Wilbraham & David Taylor	Maxine Gow			Kevin Wilbraham & Eileen Ferry
18 Dec	Bill Watt	Sally Hadden	Paul Hindle	Mary Boyd	Maxine Gow	Jacqui Stother	Gavin Boyd & Eileen Ferry	Jackie Barker			Avril Critchlow & Jacqui Stother
25 Dec	Sally Hadden	Adrian Clark	Jackie Barker	Jacqui Stother	Adrian Clark	Gavin Boyd	Jill Taylor & Gavin Boyd	Anne & George Carswell			Gavin Boyd & Jill Taylor
1 Jan	Adrian Clark	Jackie Barker	Sally Hadden	David Taylor	Gavin Boyd	Aileen Mundy	Gavin Boyd & Maxine Gow	Mary & Gavin Boyd			Adrian Clark & Paulene Scarlett
8 Jan	Bill Watt	Mary Haigh	Paul Hindle	Mary Haigh	Jill Taylor	Maxine Gow	Eileen Ferry & Andy Robb	Jill Taylor			Paul Hindle & Kevin Wilbraham
15 Jan	Sally Hadden	Adrian Clark	Jackie Barker	Janet Faughey	Mary Boyd	Gavin Boyd	David Taylor & Kevin Wilbraham	Avril Critchlow			Aileen Mundy & Jacqui Stother
22 Jan	Adrian Clark	Paul Hindle	Sally Hadden	David Taylor	Sally Hadden	Jacqui Stother	Andy Robb & Maxine Gow	Pat & Paul Hindle			Gavin Boyd & Avril Critchlow
29 Jan	Bill Watt	Jackie Barker	Paul Hindle	Eileen Ferry	Jill Taylor	Aileen Mundy	Gavin Boyd & Jill Taylor	Janet Faughey			Eileen Ferry & Jill Taylor
5 Feb	Sally Hadden	Paul Hindle	Adrian Clark	Maxine Gow	Anne Carswell	Mary Boyd	Kevin Wilbraham & Maxine Gow	Kathryn Potts			Paul Hindle & Adrian Clark

**If you change duty with another person, please update the rotas posted in the Hall Vestibule and at the back of the Church**