

# CYPRIAN *Life*



We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

*1 Thessalonians 4.14 (NIV)*

**The Magazine of St Cyprian's Church Lenzie**

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# Rector's Letter



*Dear Friends,*

**There are advantages and disadvantages associated with being a small congregation. With small numbers we are able to get to know people much more quickly and on a much more personal basis. It is much easier to notice when they are absent and to make sure that they are not ill etc. However, it is much more difficult to cover all the various things that need to be done in a church when there relatively few people to tackle them.**

We are a very active church and that is because a lot of people are working very hard. I thank all these people on your behalf; without their efforts we would have been in a very difficult position. It is often the case when we are busy we tend to focus on what we are doing and are less aware of all the other activities. So I thought I would take this opportunity to give an account of some of the many things that are going on and others which are still in the planning stage.

## **Services of Worship**

We have maintained our Sung Eucharist despite having no Choir, thanks to great support from the organists and those with good

strong singing voices in the congregation. In addition, we use the seasonal variations that are available in the new addition of the 1982 liturgy. We are having a monthly Sermon Discussion Series on more weighty theological topics. The fifth Sunday in the month now provides an opportunity to enjoy Morning Prayer and a shortened Communion Service. We are also, through the auspices of ACTS, providing a regular signed/touch Service for Deaf/Blind individuals. At the 9.15 Sunday and 10.00 Thursday Services we have a short sermon. While this may make the Service slightly longer, most people appreciate having a topic to think about over the days ahead.

During Sunday afternoon, each month we visit Lilyburn Care Home and try to keep them aware of the Seasons of the year by having special Services such as Harvest and a Christmas Carol Service. More recently we have begun a Sunday Afternoon Service (bimonthly) for people who have difficulty getting to our Morning Services.

Sunday Evenings we have had Singing Praise Services and Evensong led by Concordia and the Kedron Choir. We also have a number of people helping with the Services and now that Moira is ordained she will be preaching on a more regular basis.

# Magazine & DNS Deadline

**The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available in Church on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November. The deadline for material is 16<sup>th</sup> October and the magazine will cover December and January.**

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.

This issue includes selected items from Diocesan News in *Cyprian Life*. The full Diocesan News can be downloaded from the diocesan website:

[www.scotland.anglican.org/diocese/glasgow/](http://www.scotland.anglican.org/diocese/glasgow/)

Click on the link on the home page to access the current and earlier editions. If you don't have Internet access, but would like to read DNS, please let me know and I shall print you a copy.

Diocesan News is published ten times per year. If you have items that would be of interest across the Diocese, please send them to the Diocesan News editor, Susi Cormack Brown, e-mail: [dns@episcopalglasgow.co.uk](mailto:dns@episcopalglasgow.co.uk) or by post to c/o Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan Centre, 5 St Vincent Place, Glasgow G1 2DH ☎ 0141 221 5720/2694. The deadline for the next issue will be Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2008.

The views expressed in *Cyprian Life* and the Diocesan News are not necessarily those of the Editor of either publication or the Diocesan Information and Communications Group.

**Paul Hindle**

## Rector's Letter

### Church Hall

We have been making good use of the Church Hall since it was completed and are now focusing on completing the link between the Church and the Hall. We have just heard that we are to get a grant from the Province and together with what we have already saved we have almost reached our target.

### Mothers' Union

One of our most successful ventures has been the MU. It has already started the new programme and as I write this letter they are spending their money at the Body Shop evening. It has a very wide list of activities; do join them if you can.

### ACTS

We play a very active role in The Kirkintilloch and Lenzie ACTS. I am the Chair-person and Mary as the secretary makes sure I keep up to the mark. This includes not only joint Services, but also the Advent and Lent study groups. We have been asked to take responsibility for the Advent Studies this year. In addition, we work with the other two Lenzie Churches, at Christmas, Easter, and the Holiday Club. We also actively support Christian Aid, The Bible Society, Tear Fund and Traidcraft and give donations to many other charities.

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## Cover Photo

**Moira Jamieson was ordained Deacon on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September at St Bride's, Hyndland. The cover photograph shows that moment in the ordination service when the Bishop lays hands on the ordinand.**

There are more pictures and Moira's letter to the congregation starting on page 8.

## **Groups**

In order to improve the operation of the Vestry and to ensure that more members of the congregation are involved in the running of the Church, we have created a number of groups. This is to bring into being what we call shared leadership.

**The Staff Group** is responsible for planning and leading worship and helping me to fulfil my responsibilities as Rector.

**The Constitutional Group** has been revising our Constitution to meet the requirements of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) and the recommendations of the Cormack report that the Bishop commissioned into the problems we had at St Cyprian's. They are also producing a draft personal and Church profile for the coming search for a new Rector.

**The Pastoral Group** deals with the pastoral and visiting needs of the congregation.

**The Finance Group** helps the treasurer with financial matters and any special financial undertakings of the Church.

**The Music Group** plans the Church music and exploring ways of using music to build up our spiritual life—and some play the organ as well!!!

**The Marketing Group** is the group that seeks ways of promoting the Church in our community by advertising and saying what we do and what we have to offer.

**The 3C's Group** plans and organises fundraising activities for the Church.

**The Social Group** plans social activities for the members of the Church and their friends

**The Youth and Children Group** is thinking about and planning how to get more children and young people into the Church

I have run out of space, but you can see from this overview why I can say we are a very busy Church. I thank everyone who is involved in these many activities and those who are praying for them. Also, if you have suggestions for any of the groups to consider, please speak up. Your contributions would be very welcome and help to strengthen that shared leadership.

However we most not be so active that we neglect our spiritual lives; God is more interested in what we are in Christ than what we do!

*Yours in Christ,*

*Geoff*

## **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 Rector, Revd. Geoff Scobie, 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. Geoff can put you in touch with an appropriate person that may be best qualified to help. Please telephone Geoff on 0141-772 2907.

# Bishop's Staff Group

## 2007 – 08 report

**Under the diocesan constitution, the Bishop's Staff Group is responsible to the Diocesan Council for the day-to-day management of the diocese and its resources.**

It accounts for its actions and decisions at each Council meeting. In addition it reports after each meeting to each Region, Diocesan Council member, and - through Diocesan News Service (DNS) - to the diocese.

It currently consists of the Bishop, the Dean, the Provost, the Synod Clerk (as one of the diocesan trustees), the Diocesan Treasurer and the Diocesan Secretary.

Over the past year the Staff Group has been dealing with, among many other issues, the following matters:

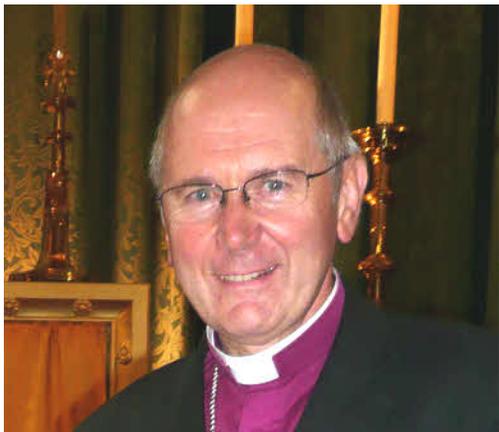
- ◇ Vacancies at: South Ayrshire, King's Park, Lenzie, Cambuslang & Uddingston, Cumbernauld, Clarkston, Hillington, Largs, Bearsden & Milngavie, Hyndland, and East End.
- ◇ Support for: the Drumchapel Partnership; projects at St Silas', Holy Trinity & St

Barnabas, St Mungo's Alexandria, St Mary's Hamilton; and Gothenburg Diocesan Partnership.

- ◇ Appointment of the Diocesan Ministry Development Officer, DNS Editor, Conveners for MAG and Youth Networks.
- ◇ Monitoring Child Protection compliance, management accounts and the work of the Property Committee.
- ◇ Dissolution of St George's Maryhill, and St Columba's Clydebank.
- ◇ Arrangements for Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Council meetings, pre-Lambeth hospitality, a Clergy Synod, and consultations on the draft Anglican Covenant.
- ◇ Emergency help where needed in the diocese.

The Staff Group is responsible for the operation of the Diocesan Centre under the management of Mrs Jean Graham, the office manager.

**Gib Fitzgibbon**  
Diocesan Secretary



## Bishop's Anniversaries

**THE 40th anniversary of Bishop Idris's ordination as a priest, and 10th anniversary of his consecration as a bishop will be celebrated by a special service of Choral Evensong at St Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Sunday 23 November at 6.30pm.**

# A View from the Diocese

**ON the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918, the Armistice that halted the fighting on the Western Front signalled the end of the First World War.**

This year, at the same hour of the same month but 90 years later, two minutes of silence will be widely observed so that we remember the terrible effects of war and those who died.

Some years ago there was concern that people were beginning to forget the sacrifices made by servicemen and women on their behalf.

With the passage of time veterans from the First World War are extremely few and even the youngest of those who fought in the Second World War are now in their 80s (depending on how truthful they were about their age).

## **ENDURING**

Through the enduring work of bodies like the Royal British Legion, the needs of those damaged by war have been kept before us and in recent years the two-minute silence has been re-established not only on Remembrance Sunday but on the 11<sup>th</sup> itself. Has this renewed emphasis helped in the resolve to avoid the dire consequences of war of all kinds- not only the current more localised wars in which people are persecuted for their ethnicity, lawlessness becomes the norm, families are destroyed and the whole globe is affected by attempts to mediate?

Is the current economic crisis, as some commentators think, a form of war triggered by the same forces that unleashed the 9/11 attacks in 2001, or is it a consequence of sinful greed and the inevitable judgement?

Or to put it another way, do we remember and learn from the lessons of the past and not only the World Wars of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century but



also the revelation of God in scripture?

Interestingly the three-year cycle of Bible readings which come up at Remembrance-tide in our church calendar includes ones which are strikingly relevant.

From almost 3,000 years ago there are oracles from the prophet Haggai (2.8) dealing with economic woes, the consequences of exile and the task of rebuilding the symbols of nationhood.

From almost 2,000 years ago the apostle Paul (2 Thessalonians 2) speaks to confused and disheartened people who are experiencing persecution and affliction; and Jesus speaks about life after death (Luke 20).

I am constantly struck by the way Bible stories speak to our present day situation and it was interesting to note that church attendance increased on the Sunday following 11 September 2001. I wonder if it will do so again now in the face of an economic form of disaster? While I clearly have a vested interest, I hope it will.

There are complex issues before us in our world just now. There is much in Christian tradition which can help us deal with them. Let us witness to it!

**Canon Robin Paisley**  
Rector, St John's Dumfries

# The Reverend Moira Jamieson

**Surrounded by family and friends, Moira was ordained Deacon by Bishop Idris on 27th September at St. Bride's, Hyndland. The service was a joint ordination with the Revd John MacLeod who was ordained Priest and will serve at St Mary's, Hamilton.**

It was a wonderful service in an impressive 'high church' setting followed by a reception

that gave an opportunity to congratulate the ordinands and to catch up with old friends.

Here, in what we hope is the first of many articles from Moira in her new role, Moira reflects on the events of that weekend and provides some pointers for us all on our spiritual journey.

Congratulations Moira and may God bless you in all you do in His name.

*Dear friends,*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has encouraged and supported me over the past six years in the various stages of my discernment, study and training for ministry. Although at times it felt like my ordination was so very far away, as I look back now, it doesn't seem all that long since I first answered God's call to ministry.



Thank you also for all the lovely cards and gifts that I received and if you haven't had a chance to see the Home Communion Set (*photo overleaf of Geoff presenting it to Moira during the Sunday service*), I will try to remember to bring it to church on a few Sundays so that you can have a look at it. I hope that by the time this 'goes to print' I will have used it for a home communion.

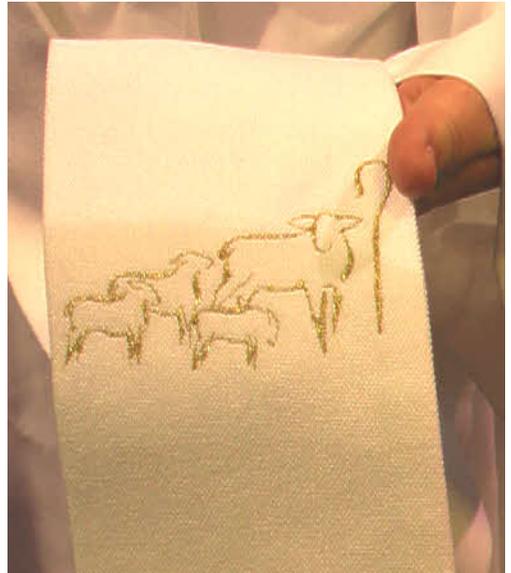


It was wonderful to see so many familiar and friendly faces at my ordination and to see so many Clergy and Lay Readers in the procession. I enjoyed every part of the service and can't believe how calm and relaxed I was. A big Thank You to Paul and Pat for filming the service and producing a DVD for me with lots of still photos as well.

The service the following day was also very special and it was nice to get a chance to speak to people in the hall. A great big thank you to all those who made it such a special day and a special thank you to Kathryn and Bill Potts who provided the lovely cakes for Saturday (*picture opposite*) and to Aileen for getting the cake with my sheep motif on it for Sunday (*a picture of Moira cutting it is overleaf*).

On Sunday 26th October, we are celebrating "Bible Sunday" and the work of the Bible Society of Scotland. This led me to wonder just how many of us actually take time to read our Bibles from one Sunday to the next. A number of years ago I decided that as part of my Lent discipline I would try to read through the Bible in a year and signed up for daily

emails from [www.arcamax.com](http://www.arcamax.com) which gave three short readings each day (not in chronological order), and if you followed it for one year you would have read through the whole of the Bible. I have to say that some days I found it difficult to take time to sit down and look at



these readings and reflect on them, but I managed it. I think that it was very rewarding and it is an exercise that I will repeat again I am sure. Do take a look at their web site.



am not always very good at) and if you are interested in starting the daily Bible Reading scheme, please speak to Eric.

If we want to try to understand what God is saying to us in scripture, we really need to open our minds and reflect on passages from the Bible. It can be useful also to have a Bible which has a commentary attached to it and I have found that the New Interpreters Study Bible, NRSV version has some useful comments to help with understanding particular verses of scripture.

I would also encourage people to get involved in the Advent and Lenten Study Groups, which we run here at St. Cyprian's. They are a time of fellowship and discussion, where everyone discovers something that they hadn't thought about before and as often happens when you look at Bible passages you haven't read for a while, something new can often jump out at you.

Also very recently I took up the Bible Reading Fellowship Booklets of daily Bible readings, which have some comments by different people each week and then a short reflection or prayer. These readings are themed and at the start of each week there is usually some sort of introduction to the theme. I have found these booklets to be very useful in making me take time to reflect (something I

*In the love of Christ,*

**Moira**

# Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

## Telling and Being the Good News

**Mothers' Union has opened new branches in the past year: St Cyprian's, Lenzie and Heart for the City, whose members come from 14 different countries mainly in Africa.**

The Lenzie branch is busy planning its MU banner which will be dedicated at the Festival Service in St Cyprian's on Saturday 23 May at 11.30am. Worldwide president Rosemary Kempzell will preach and the Primus, together with MU chaplain Revd Scott Robertson, will officiate. The choir from Heart for the City will sing African hymns. Guests will include representatives from our Link dioceses. All are welcome to the service and lunch.

Two Lady Day services are held, one in the north of the diocese, and one in south. The result has been a doubling in attendance. The annual Festival Service was held in St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, 17 May, when the choir from Heart for the City provided a joyful note with their vibrant singing. The MU chaplain officiated and Revd Dr Geoff Scobie preached

on our theme for 2008, Time for Relationships.

Keeping members up to date with the work of the MU overseas and at home is a key task.

### OVERSEAS

Overseas Days in Largs and Castle Douglas were arranged for October.

An African lunch was so successful the recipe will be repeated in members' churches and homes around the diocese! The programme was wide-ranging, including how the Overseas Fund was managed centrally and the way the Relief Fund responded immediately to disasters.



An innovation is the Family Life Programme in Uganda, currently operating in eight dioceses.

The aim is to empower community groups (women, men, youth) to tackle problems they identify in their communities. Training in a variety of areas (HIV/AIDS, parenting, environmental protection and management, micro-enterprise development) is provided by MU Facilitators. Trainers then return to their communities and set up model homes. These model homes provide practical examples of hygiene (with new latrines and washing facilities), vegetable gardens (improving soil, storing excess crops) and energy-efficient stoves.

Funding is raised through self-saving schemes so that chickens, goats, seed etc. can be bought by the group. Approximately 8,750 people are part of the family life groups with a further 91,000 people being helped indirectly.

One husband commented: "There used to be a huge problem with domestic violence. Husbands didn't have respect for their wives. Now they discuss issues with them and also their children. They even encourage women to talk freely in the community." (Jackson, male group member, Sebei).

## **DIOCESAN PROJECTS**

It is great fun to have a stall at Freshers Week in Glasgow University.

The students can buy our recipe book, enjoy the home baking on offer and hear about the work of MU. This is our fourth year there. Now students are telling us how useful they have found the book and recommending it those hesitant to spend 40p!

## **ANGEL POCKETS**

One person's dream of providing angel pockets and baby garments for premature and babies born asleep came to fruition this year. The Princess Royal and the Queen Mothers

now gratefully receive these items. For one bereaved mother the little angel pocket allowed her to bury her tiny son with dignity.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

There are two new publications. Families First, with a new format, replaces the Home and Family magazine and will have a supplement, Families Worldwide, three times a year. Well worth a look.

Members in the diocese have contributed to a book of prayers - In the Palm of God's Hand (£4.50 plus p&p). For ordering details e-mail [enid.scobie@ntlworld.com](mailto:enid.scobie@ntlworld.com).

The MU website has a wealth of information: [themothersunion.org](http://themothersunion.org).

The Union is encouraged and supported by many clergy in the diocese and this is a great strength and blessing. The MU is the mission arm of the church. A branch meeting provides an ideal opportunity to invite non-church people to a non-threatening and welcoming Christian fellowship. Church can be daunting for the uninitiated!

I hope that those churches who do not yet have an MU branch will consider sounding us out; we have much to offer for men and women!

Together, we can 'tell the Good News' and 'be the Good News'.

**Enid Scobie**  
Diocesan President

## **LOCAL**

Here at St Cyprian's, MU member, Glennis Tavener, ran a raffle in aid of the new St Cyprian's MU banner, which raised £43. The prize was a quilted noughts and crosses game made by her sister Beryl. The winner was a young friend Emma Morrison whose name was drawn by Enid Scobie after the Thursday morning service on 16<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you Beryl and Glennis for all your work.

LENZIE PUBLIC HALLS  
SATURDAY  
29TH NOVEMBER  
10.00am-3.00pm  
ST.CYPRIANS  
**CHRISTMAS FAYRE**  
TICKETS  
adults £2 concessions £1  
refreshments included

Preparation for  
*Christmas Fayre 2008*  
Saturday 29th November  
**Appeal for Donations**

Please do your bit - we are small in number but huge in heart.

**Donations are needed for all stalls.** These should be in “nearly new” saleable condition, clean and where appropriate, wrapped (baking). Donations for stalls can be given to stallholders beforehand, either at church or arranged by telephone contact (see page 16), or brought to the public hall on Friday 28th November before 2.30pm or after 6.30pm.

Donations of baking should be brought to the public hall on Friday 28th November or first thing on the morning of Saturday 29th

(no fresh cream and wrapped in saleable portions).

The old “Ancient and Modern” or “Collectors Corner” stall will now be called “Gifts” so donations for this should be suitably chosen.

### **Muscle-power**

Help is needed, especially muscle power to shift things on the Friday from 9.30am. Tables, crockery etc and items from the loft for various stalls. Many hands make light work. If you are free to help with this please contact Susan (776-4135) to arrange.

# Welcome to St Cyprian's Christmas Academy

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2008

9am to THE END



Count with Maxine in the office



Play in The Nursery with Kathryn & Catherine



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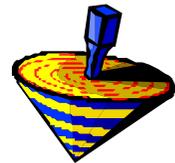
Sneak past the Janitor in his cubby-hole.



Gamble in the Prefects' Common Room with Pat & Paul



Spin like a top with Susan in The Gym



Creative beautiful Jewellery in The Art Room with Anne & Sheila





Grill in the Kitchen with Moira & David

Join Avril, Eileen, Aileen, Cynthia & new volunteers in the basement cafeteria.

Shine the dishes in the scullery with Jean

Baking with Helen in the bakery class



Study in the Library with Gill & Nicki



Watch Daphne, Audrey & Jane create beautiful Decorations and Gifts

Learn needlework with Glennis and Pam in the craft room



# The St Cyprian's Christmas Academy

Come and join us in Lenzie Public Hall on

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2008**

All volunteers and pressed men welcome  
to all or any part of the event.

We are small in number but not in quality.

This is our main fund raising event of the year  
and we need as much help as possible.

If you can help on a stall, please contact the stall holder below,  
Susan, (776-4135), Aileen (578-9449) or Kathryn (578-0734)  
The baking stall & the tea room survive on your willingness to bake  
and make jam & pickles.

(Fortunately they don't rely on my ability to poison people)

We also need a lot of help setting up & clearing away.

The tables & crockery are taken to the hall early on Friday  
but the stall contents and the books have to be delivered during  
Friday and back to the Church on Saturday afternoon.

We always have a number of books left at the end. These used to go to Contact  
Point but they no longer have book-sales. If you know of a Charity shop or youth  
organisation who can use the books, please give Susan or Gill a ring & we would be  
delighted to give them some/all the books.

*Please, Please help whenever you can!*

Books	Gill	776-2338	Tombola	Pat	776-3237
Jewellery	Anne	776-3354	Tea Room	Avril	776-1404
Crafts	Glennis	775-2895	Lunch	Moira	775-1161
Toys/children's activities			Baking	Val	776-2767
	Kathryn	578-0734	Janitorial Services		
	Catherine	776 2812		Susan	776-4135
Decorations/Gifts			Counting	Maxine	
	Daphne	776-1281			01360-310420
	& Audrey	01236 729075	Transport	Susan	776-4135

Thank you in anticipation

Susan

Remember to buy a  
poppy for Remem-  
brance Sunday—  
available in Church



 **PoppyScotland** provides support to anyone who has served in the Armed Forces, either regular or reserve, including widows/widowers and the dependants of those that have served.

 **Over one million people** make up the veterans' community in Scotland. That is one in five of the Scottish population.

 We support organisations across Scotland that deliver specific services in support of the veterans' community. These range from **employment advice** to **housing for the homeless**, **care for the elderly** to **treatment for veterans with mental health conditions**.

 Recent research indicated that some **350,000 members** of the veterans' community had experienced some form of **personal difficulty**, such as mobility or financial problems, with as many as 135,000 experiencing multiple and complex needs.

 As well as funding the **Royal British Legion Scotland's Pensions Appeals and Advice Service** we have embarked on an exciting partnership with **Citizens Advice Scotland**, which aims to meet the advice needs of veterans through improved access to Citizens Advice Bureaux across Scotland.

 We provide **employment opportunities** for **29 veterans with disabilities** at **Lady Haig's Poppy Factory**.

# Vestry Notes

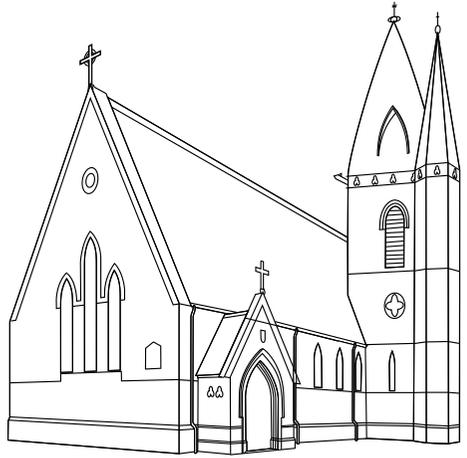
**There have been three Vestry meetings since the last issue of *Cyprian Life* went to press. They took place on 27<sup>th</sup> August, 17<sup>th</sup> September and 22<sup>nd</sup> October. The latter was too late for notes to be included in this issue and will therefore be reported later.**

At the Vestry meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2008, the following business is worthy of note:

1. The Secretary confirmed that there was no requirement for St. Cyprian's to register its Directory of Members under the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 although it was not exempt from the principles laid down in the Act. It was agreed that information will be available from the membership role only to those who have legitimate need of it for specific purposes.
2. Further discussion took place regarding meetings of the different sub-groups. It was agreed that Glennis Tavener would explore whether it was necessary or appropriate for the Rector to attend every meeting and that she should meet with the conveners of each sub-group to discuss priorities and to agree suitable arrangements for each of them.
3. It was hoped that the Vestry visits to all members of the congregation would be completed in time for the October Vestry meeting.
4. The Treasurer tabled a Financial Statement as at 31<sup>st</sup> July 2008. It showed that our cash reserves had increased over the past year by an amount that indicated we could have met almost half the projected cost of a full-time rector. The Vestry welcomed this optimistic review.
5. The Vestry agreed that there was a need to adjust the method of presenting the accounts in order to make interpretation easier, to establish a simple method of budget control and to simplify the means of monitoring income and expenditure. It was also agreed to establish a "designated fund" to deal with the planned improvements to the hall as a capital expenditure item separate from the routine running cost of the church affairs.
6. A draft policy for Church Hall Outreach was adopted and a business plan for the future usage of the hall will now be prepared. This will facilitate the process of seeking grant support for the project to refurbish and improve facilities in the link between the Vestries and the Hall.
7. A new tenancy agreement was in place for the rectory. The Vestry had now assumed full responsibility as landlord and was solely responsible for collection of the rent. REMAX was no longer retained as Agent.
8. After discussion of points raised in "Guidelines for Church Administration", the Vestry agreed that Gavin Boyd, as Hall Convener, would provide a quarterly report of hall letting activities. In addition, church related activities where individual members acted as agents for St. Cyprian's needed to be identified and those where money changed hands should be reviewed to ensure that appropriate safeguards were clearly in place and were properly monitored.
9. It was decided that the new bookcase should be placed at the back of the church to house the entire library in addition to the leaflets.

The following items were discussed at the Vestry meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2008:

1. It was agreed that since it has proved impossible to source a new marriage register, we would have to explore the possibility of having one specially printed. (Subsequent to the meeting a local printing firm produced one to our design at reasonable cost. It was delivered just in time to be used on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. This first entry in the new book recorded the 221<sup>st</sup> marriage that has been conducted in St Cyprian's since it was founded.)
2. It was agreed that the cupboards in the Choir Vestry should be replaced for the agreed sum of £380.
3. Plans for the hall extension and refurbishment were advancing slowly and Sandy Jamieson was seeking further detailed information about the basic cost that will be involved.
4. It was felt that "Journey of Faith" was more appropriate to the church's needs than the "Alpha Course". However, it would be impossible to undertake this before the Rector retires in October 2009. It was therefore, agreed that the Staff Group should examine the possibility of embarking on an "Alpha Course" instead and bring recommendations back to the Vestry.
5. It was hoped that the congregation should be further encouraged to move towards the front of the church for services by using a cord/ribbon to indicate that pews at the back were not in use.
6. The provision of a notice board in the Rectory garden was discussed and it was agreed that the Property Convener would



look into the feasibility of this proposal and also to provide costing.

7. The Vestry agreed to make a gift of £250 to Moira Jamieson to mark the important occasion of her ordination as Deacon and indicated that it would like her to use it to purchase a set of stoles.

**Sally Pitches**  
Vestry Secretary

## Old Irish Saying

There are only two things to worry about: either you are well or you are sick. If you are well, then there is nothing to worry about, but if you are sick there are two things for you to worry about: either you get well or you will die. If you get well, then there is nothing to worry about. If you die, then there are two things to worry about: either you go up or you go down. If you go up, then there is nothing to worry about. But if you go down, you will be so busy shaking hands with old friends you won't have time to worry.

A photograph of four lit candles (three red, one yellow) surrounded by holly leaves and red berries, set against a dark background. The candles are lit, and their flames are visible. The text is overlaid on this image.

# ADVENT PRAISE

with  
CONCORDIA

in  
St Davids  
Memorial Park  
Church  
Sunday November 30th  
at  
6.30pm

ALL WELCOME



# acts

in Kirkintilloch  
and Lenzie

All are invited to come along to St Cyprian's for the ACTS Advent Study, which will actually start before Advent.

Although this is an ecumenical study, all the meetings this year will take place at St Cyprian's, either in the Choir Vestry or the Church depending on numbers.

There will be four meetings in all starting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm and continuing at the same time each Thursday until 4<sup>th</sup> December.



*Advent  
is not just for  
Christmas*

*Reflections  
Through  
Advent*



## The Caledonian Award

Coach House Fundraising Day

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008

10am – 4.30pm

Please come and join us at The Coach House in Balmore to start your Christmas shopping or even just for a coffee.

All the profits for the day go to  
The Caledonian Award.

I hope to see you there

*Susan*

# Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

## NOVEMBER

1<sup>st</sup> Thanksgiving for living fellowship

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> before Advent

#### ANGLICAN

The Episcopal Church of Cuba, the Bishop of Uruguay, and the two Suffragan Bishops of Cuba, The Rt Revd Nerva Cot Aguilera and The Rt Revd Ulises Agüero Prendes

#### DIOCESAN

The churches of St John the Evangelist, Greenock; St Bartholomew's, Gourock and the Revd Drew Sheridan

#### Daily Prayers

- 3<sup>rd</sup> The faithful departed
- 4<sup>th</sup> Those who mourn
- 5<sup>th</sup> For all deceased Clergy and Lay Readers
- 6<sup>th</sup> Lay and Alternate Lay Representatives and Regional Councils.
- 7<sup>th</sup> The Scottish Poppy Appeal and Gill Inglis
- 8<sup>th</sup> For all ex-service men and women, incapacitated by war

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)

#### ANGLICAN

The Anglican Province of Bermuda and the Rt Revd Alexander Ewen Ratteray

#### DIOCESAN

SEC: Diocese of Aberdeen & Orkney (Bishop Robert Gillies).

#### Daily Prayers

- 10<sup>th</sup> For those who died in war and their families
- 11<sup>th</sup> For the Erskine Hospital and nursing home in Renfrew

- 12<sup>th</sup> The National Meningitis Trust
- 13<sup>th</sup> Staff and patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes
- 14<sup>th</sup> For hospital chaplains and the ministry of healing.
- 15<sup>th</sup> For relief for the African peoples

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent

#### ANGLICAN

The Lusitanian Church in Portugal and The Rt Revd Fernando Soares

#### DIOCESAN

The churches of the North Ayrshire Team: St Andrew's, Ardrossan; St Peter's, Dalry; St Andrew's, Irvine (Scott Robertson, Ian Boffey, Jeanette Jenkins, Sandy Montgomerie).

#### Daily Prayers

- 17<sup>th</sup> For kindness, caring and generosity; Margaret of Scotland
- 18<sup>th</sup> For the poor and the orphaned
- 19<sup>th</sup> For wisdom and integrity within the Civil Service
- 20<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Centre Staff; Jean Graham and Christine Hughes
- 21<sup>st</sup> Remembering Hiroshima: for freedom from nuclear weapons
- 22<sup>nd</sup> For the people of the Church of Ireland

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>, Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)

#### ANGLICAN

The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain and the Rt Revd Carlos López-Lozano

#### DIOCESAN

The churches of the South Ayrshire Team: Holy Trinity, Ayr; St John's, Girvan; St Oswald's, Maybole (Ian Meredith).

# & Daily Intentions

## Daily Prayers

- 24<sup>th</sup> The Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church.
- 25<sup>th</sup> The work of the Mission Aviation Fellowship, Scotland
- 26<sup>th</sup> The people of the Sudan
- 27<sup>th</sup> For the Diocesan ICT Group; Ali Chesworth and Ian Ansdell
- 28<sup>th</sup> For the 3C Group as we prepare for the Christmas Fayre
- 29<sup>th</sup> For love, fellowship and happiness at our Christmas Fayre

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>, Advent Sunday (Andrew)

### ANGLICAN

The Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury)

### DIOCESAN

The churches of Holy Trinity, Kilmarnock (Peter Douglas) and St Columba's, Largs (Peter Potter).

## DECEMBER

### Daily Prayers

- 1<sup>st</sup> For the people of Scotland and the Scottish Government
- 2<sup>nd</sup> For all AIDS victims and those infected with HIV
- 3<sup>rd</sup> For Samaritan's Purse and Operation Christmas Child
- 4<sup>th</sup> For the Jewish People as Hanukkah begins
- 5<sup>th</sup> For all those working in the postal and courier services
- 6<sup>th</sup> For the People of Finland (National Independence Day)

## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>, Advent 2

### ANGLICAN

Kolhapur - (North India) The Rt Revd Bathuel Ramchandra Tiwade

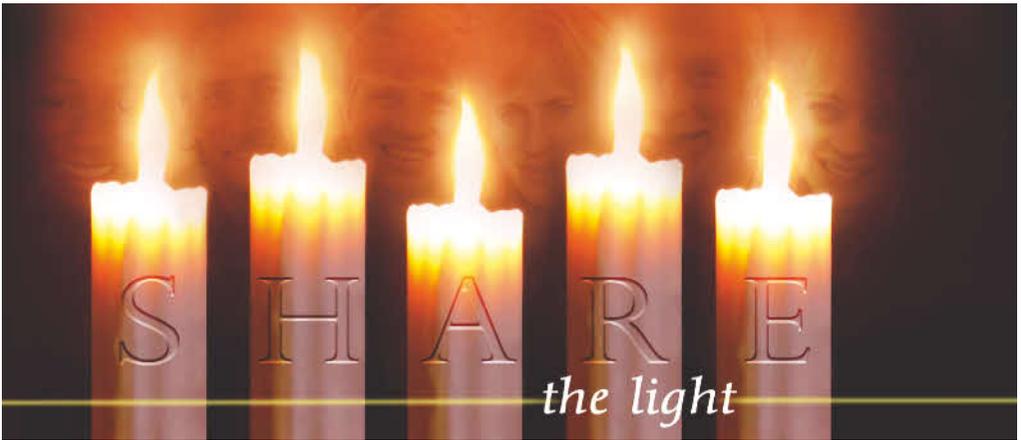
### DIOCESAN

Bishop John Taylor, Honorary Assistant Bishop. All retired clergy and those in Post-Retiral Ministry (Loloma Balfour, David Balfour, David Batson, Bertie Collie, Nigel Newton, Joyce Pow).

# Annual General Meeting

**The AGM will take place in the Hall on Sunday 16th November 2008 at approximately 12.15pm, following the 10.30am Eucharist.**

This is an important annual event in the life of the Church. All constituent members of the congregation are encouraged to attend. It is your opportunity to influence the future direction of our church. A booklet containing the agenda, reports and accounts will be made available at least one week prior to the AGM.



## Why “do Advent” when you can do mission this Advent?

**Advent:** for many it’s a time of peace and joy, parties and excitement. For others, the run-up to Christmas is a time of loneliness, stress or even deep sadness.

**Advent is the perfect time to offer hope to those around us.**

CMS is inviting churches to offer hope this Advent by taking part in an exciting new Advent mission programme called Share the Light .

Share the Light gives church members the chance to grow closer while also helping them to make an ongoing difference in the lives of people in your local community – a difference that will continue far beyond Christmas.

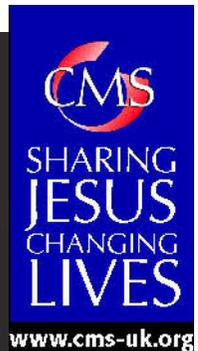
### **What’s involved?**

Share the Light is based on one simple yet powerful belief: **Prayer Changes Lives.**

Share the Light challenges church members to commit to praying for someone they know for a year. Once they’ve selected someone, they give that person or family a beautiful presentation candle, explaining how they will be praying for them over the next twelve months.

Candle recipients are also invited to a special candlelit Advent carol service at church.

St Cyprian’s is intending to take part in this initiative and we hope that members of the congregation will want to become involved.



# Sunday Readings and Readers

## 4th before Advent

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2008

Micah 3.5-end

*Eric Parry*

Psalms 43

1 Thessalonians 2.9-13

*Kathryn Potts*

Matthew 24.1-14

## 2nd before Advent

16<sup>th</sup> November 2008

Zephaniah 1.7,12-18

*Jacqui Stother*

Psalms 90.1-8[9-11]12\*

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

*Barbara Parfitt*

Matthew 25.14-30

## Advent Sunday

30<sup>th</sup> November 2008

Isaiah 64.1-9

*Gavin Boyd*

Psalms 80.1-8,18-20\*

1 Corinthians 1.3-9

*Sally Pitches*

Mark 13.24-37

## or for All Saints Day

Revelation 7.9-17

Psalms 34.1-10

1 John 3.1-3

Matthew 5.1-12

## Christ the King

23<sup>rd</sup> November 2008

Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

*Maxine Gow*

Psalms 95.1-7

Ephesians 1.15-23

*Glennis Tavener*

Matthew 25.31-46

## Advent 2

7<sup>th</sup> December 2008

Isaiah 40.1-11

*Anne Carswell*

Psalms 85.1-2,8-13

2 Peter 3.8-15a

*Vivienne Provan*

Mark 1.1-8

## 3rd before Advent

### Remembrance Sunday

9<sup>th</sup> November, 2008

Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-16

*Catherine Gunnee*

Canticle:

Wisdom of Solomon 6.17-20

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

*Dave Parfitt*

Matthew 25.1-13

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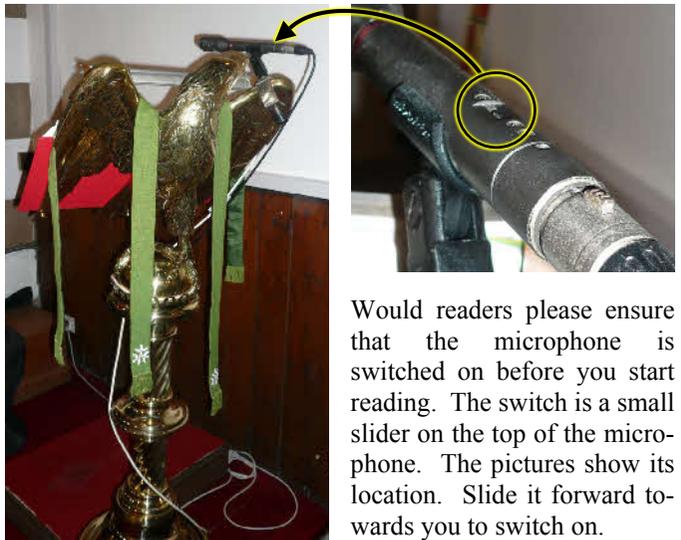
Amos 5.18-24

Psalms 70

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

Matthew 25.1-13

## Readers Please Note



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# Kalendar

## NOVEMBER

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> All Saints Day

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Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Fourth Sunday before Advent (celebration of All Saints Day)

9.15am Holy Communion (said)  
10.30am Sung Eucharist  
3pm Holy Communion at Lillyburn

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> All Souls Day (celebration of)

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry

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Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)

9.15am Holy Communion (said)  
10.30am Sung Eucharist  
*(retiral collection for Marie Curie Cancer Care)*  
3pm Old people's communion service  
and commemoration of all souls in the Hall.

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm MU Meeting in hall

Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry  
7.30pm ACTS Advent Study in the Choir Vestry or Church

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Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday before Advent

9.15am Holy Communion (said)  
10.30am Sung Eucharist  
12.15pm Annual General Meeting of the Congregation

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Margaret of Scotland, 1093

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry  
7.30pm ACTS Advent Study in the Choir Vestry or Church

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Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Christ the King (The Sunday before Advent)

9.15am Holy Communion (said)  
10.30am Sung Eucharist

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> 10am-4.30pm Balmore Coach House Charity Day for Caledonian Award.

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion in the Choir Vestry  
7.30pm ACTS Advent Study in the Choir Vestry or Church

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> 10am - 2.30pm  
& 6.30 - 8.30pm Preparation for Christmas Fayre



# Sunday Duty Rota

Date	10.30am								Counting
	9.15 am	Crucifer	Server	Old Testament	New Testament	Intercessions	Sides Persons	Coffee	
2 Nov	Adrian Clark	Adrian Clark	Paul Hindle	Eric Parry	Kathryn Potts	Barbara Parfitt	Jean Kinnon & Sandy Jamieson	Kathryn Potts & Maxine Gow	Kathryn Potts & Eric Parry
9 Nov	Aileen Mundy	Paul Hindle	Moira Jamieson	Catherine Gunnee	Dave Parfitt	Enid Scobie	Andy Robb & David Parfitt	Audrey Groom & Val Fallon	Sandy Jamieson & Barbara Parfitt
16 Nov	Sally Pitches	Sally Pitches	Eric Parry	Jacqui Stother	Barbara Parfitt	Gavin Boyd	Val Fallon & Gavin Boyd	Jean Kinnon & Eileen Ferry	Kevin Wilbraham & Andy Robb
23 Nov	Adrian Clark	Catherine Gunnee	Moira Jamieson	Maxine Gow	Glennis Tavener	Barbara Parfitt	Glennis Tavener & Enid Scobie	Fred & Catherine Gunnee	Sally Pitches & Maxine Gow
30 Nov	Aileen Mundy	Eric Parry	Catherine Gunnee	Gavin Boyd	Sally Pitches	Glennis Tavener	Jean Kinnon & Kevin Wilbraham	Moira & Sandy Jamieson	Paul Hindle & Dave Parfitt
7 Dec	Adrian Clark	Aileen Mundy	Sally Pitches	Anne Carswell	Vivienne Provan	Eric Parry	Sandy Jamieson & David Parfitt	Anne & George Carswell	Gavin Boyd & Kathryn Potts
14 Dec	Sally Pitches	Sally Pitches	Paul Hindle	Enid Scobie	Kevin Wilbraham	Moira Jamieson	Gavin Boyd & Glennis Tavener	Pat & Paul Hindle	Eric Parry & Sandy Jamieson
21 Dec	Adrian Clark	Paul Hindle	Eric Parry	Audrey Groom	Sandy Jamieson	Enid Scobie	Val Fallon & Andy Robb	Dave & Barbara Parfitt	Barbara Parfitt & Kevin Wilbraham
28 Dec	Aileen Mundy	Catherine Gunnee	Adrian Clark	Dave Parfitt	Jacqui Stother	Glennis Tavener	Enid Scobie & Jean Kinnon	Kevin & Fiona Wilbraham	Andy Robb & Sally Pitches
4 Jan	Adrian Clark	Eric Parry	Moira Jamieson	Barbara Parfitt	Maxine Gow	Barbara Parfitt	David Parfitt & Glennis Tavener	Avril Critchlow & Jean McConnell	Maxine Gow & Paul Hindle

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