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From the Rector



Dear Friends,

How are you doing?

It's an ordinary greeting. "How are you doing." and we answer, "Good thanks – you?"

But at the moment I suspect it is a much more profound and important question.

We are now well into our second year of a pandemic. We are still struggling with seeing family. We are enjoying the time to relax. We are still feeling isolated. We are enjoying the chance to spend time with friends. We feel our mental health has suffered. We feel more relaxed not having to go places all the time, or chase after families. We feel pleased to be less restricted. We are confused with the current guidelines. We feel things are getting better. We feel this pandemic is never-ending. Some of us are feeling some depth of mourning with what we have lost. Maybe the ultimate depth of losing someone special to the disease. Maybe the loss of touch. Hugs. Freedom. The outdoors. Holidays. Friendships. Maybe we feel all of these things. How are you doing?

I recently got an E.mail with the programme for a conference I was having to attend. The E.mail started "I'm sure we are all really looking forward to the conference"

I thought – how do they know I'm looking forward to it? What gives them the right to tell me what I am feeling? And the truth was – I wasn't at that moment – looking forward to the conference. I just had to be there! There was a dishonesty about this. And a projection onto me of feelings that I didn't have, to make the organisers feel better about it! Okay, so I went and enjoyed it! But please don't tell me what I'm feeling, don't assume you know what I am feeling! How are you doing?

It can be quite difficult at times responding to a greeting, when someone says something like "how are you doing?" We have a ritual answer: "Good thanks, you?" We are often fearful of the response we would get if we told the truth!!!!!! And of course it is probably appropriate most of the time to play the ritual game.

For many of us at this time, how we are doing is important, and we do need the space and opportunity to be honest, and find an ear to how we are feeling. To put it succinctly, Covid has intensified our feelings, and for many of us those are negative feelings. And we need them heard and received. I want to say three things really.

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Magazine & DNS Deadline

The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available on Sunday, 28th November 2021. The deadline for material is Sunday 21st November, though it would be good to get things earlier, if possible. The magazine will be for December 2021 and January 2022.

Please email 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 strongly preferred.

Please let me know about what is important to you, especially how the relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions has affected you.

I incorporate items into this magazine from the Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan News that I hope might interest members of the congregation. You can subscribe to receive the monthly news email from the diocese by going to glasgow.anglican.org, the diocesan home page, and entering your email address in the box at the bottom of the page. The email newsletter takes the form of brief paragraphs with links to fuller articles on the diocesan website and, where appropriate, other sites. The diocese is also on Facebook—search ‘Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway’.

We are encouraged to contribute by sending any items for the email newsletter to news@glasgow.anglican.org. 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).

The views expressed in *Cyprian Life* are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Paul Hindle
Magazine Editor

From the Rector

Firstly. God wants to know. We do not, should not, must not, keep things from him. We can tell Him, shout at Him, scream at Him, blame Him, demand from Him, rejoice with Him. God in his love will receive and respond to all of these things. The only thing we should



Cover Picture

We remember those who have died in conflict with acts of remembrance on Thursday 11th and Sunday 14th November. The picture shows the area of the memorial established in 2020 outside the shops at Queens Buildings where the fallen of St. Cyprian’s were remembered.

The Community Council intends to repeat this memorial again this year. There’s more about this and other remembrance events on page 9.

Have you got a picture for the magazine? Please email it to the editor at: magazine@stcyprianslenzie.com.

NOT do with God is be dishonest with Him. If we feel he is asking us “How are you doing?” then we can and should tell him. Don’t descend to the ritual. We should never say to God “Good thanks” when we are not! God wants to help. He can’t help if we don’t allow Him, and being dishonest with God means we are not allowing Him to help.

I think most of us aren’t deliberately dishonest with God. We don’t want to be. We know God loves us. The trouble is when we are in the depths we don’t think of turning to Him, or hearing Him ask the question “How are you doing.” The ‘evil one’ succeeds when we don’t turn to God.

It is true that we may not feel God helping in the moment, but we will know we have someone sitting with us and holding our hand in our darkness. God does that.

Second. Don’t be frightened of having feelings in church. It is the BEST place to have feelings! Church – where we gather, in the presence of God – is the one place where we

can cry, and sob our hearts out, and express our feelings, and IT IS ALRIGHT TO DO SO!

Third, I believe we as a church, as the body of Christ, is a place where we can hear the honest answer to the question “How are you doing.” We are terrified what others will think when we honestly answer the question. But I know people at St. Cyprian’s. If you honestly answer, whether good or bad (and at the moment it could well be bad), then St. Cyprian’s people are such that they will respond with love. They are great people. And seek me out – I will try to listen.

How are you doing?

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

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 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.

In the current circumstances, we are having to change the way we work. Nonetheless, our Rector, the Revd. Les Ireland, is still available on the phone for a confidential chat and a prayer, please contact him. He will be happy to help in any way he can.

Other members of St. Cyprian’s are also available to talk to 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.

Another “Hero of Faith”

In the last magazine, I wrote about Jane Haining, who has just been made a “Hero of the Faith” by the Scottish Episcopal Church – the nearest we get to making someone a saint. Her story and history clearly justified the accolade – she was a remarkable woman. However, it did get me asking the question – who else has the Scottish Episcopal Church made “Hero of the Faith,” and do they have inspiring stories? So I went searching through the lectionary – the calendar of special dates in the church diary.

I was a bit selective! I ignored those who were “saints” of one form or another before the Scottish Episcopal Church got firmed up in the 19th century. I ignored those who had also been made “saints” from other churches and parts of the world, although many of them are truly inspirational characters. And then I looked at a few whose names sounded interesting! The truth is there are quite a few of them, and I thought for the next few magazines I might write about some of them.

All sorts of people leapt out of the page! Lucy Menzies, George Hay Forbes, Alexander Penrose Forbes, John Comper, Paul Couturier, to name a few. So which one to feature in this magazine? So, plucking a name from the list . . . Who was John Comper????? Made “hero of the Faith” in 2003.

John Comper was born, the seventh child of seven, in Pulborough in Sussex in 1823, where his father was a smallholder. Through his childhood, he was interested in spiritual things and liturgy, and was an adherent of the Oxford Movement, the 19th century movement in the Church of England emphasising high church traditions. He qualified as a teacher aged 24.

The problem – he could not enter the



Church of England without a degree, so moved to Scotland to start his teaching career with a view to training for the priesthood. After suitable education, he was ordained at Perth Cathedral in 1850.

Comper’s early ministry was in Nairn, then in Stonehaven. In 1861, Comper moved to St. John’s Episcopal Church in Aberdeen. While at St. John’s, Comper developed the Gallowgate Mission in one of the most squalid parts of Aberdeen, later moving the mission to the quayside. Wright describes the scene as follows; “The whole area enjoyed an evil reputation. No one ventured out after dark. It was bad enough making your way to church through wet washings, but you also had to hold your nose to prevent smelling the fish barrows parked along one side of the Gallowgate. Often rats were scavenging in the barrows.”

He spent the rest of his life ministering to the poor, to prostitutes and to street children, before his sudden death in 1903.

What was unique about Comper was his dedication to the poor. To the people in the slums. He was clearly a man destined for high office in the church. He chose instead to go to the poorest and most needy, sacrificing any “elevation.” And for that he is made a “Hero of the Faith” in our church.

What are you thinking?

Managing “Covid” changes . . .

There is always a tension between “doing something perfectly” and “doing your best.” Many people want things done perfectly, even demand things are done perfectly, but is that fair? It is a question brought into sharp focus by pandemic, as so often we are walking into the unknown, the unprecedented. Forced into changes we find difficult to manage.

Any change has to be managed, so people feel comfortable with it and understand why the change is needed. But it is different with Covid – changes in the law and guidelines force changes in what we do.

As the Rector of a church and in the church, we are having to manage the huge changes imposed on us. There are new ways of doing things. Whether using electronics, computers, or different seating arrangements. There are new forms of worship, new orders of worship, new styles of worship. The Link has changed, and each time it takes a lot of work just considering what should be on it. There are changing guidelines, confusing guidelines, apparently foolish guidelines, which have to be navigated. There’s uncertainty about what will be allowed and not allowed in a month, in a season, in a year. And change seems to be a constant reality.

I am very lucky to have great help with these things (Paul’s electronic genius is just amazing!). The vestry is a very good gauge on whether I am being too cautious or rushing forward too quickly. (I err on the side of caution not just to meet legal requirements, but to give confidence to people in church who may still be concerned about the effects of the pandemic.)

What we are doing is not perfect. You may

not like, or think what we are doing is right. Often it can take us three or four attempts to get the right things in the right way in place. There are often pitfalls in making changes, which only present themselves after we have started making changes. We are not perfect!!!

Please be forbearing. We are doing our best, the best we can. That is all any of us can do, and it is all that God asks of anyone. God only asks our best, never seeks perfection. Or maybe I should say seeks perfection with forgiveness.

I understand the fears, the frustrations, the anxiety people have. And when we have these feelings, we seek a level of certainty. But at St. Cyprian’s, whatever it may be, we will only ever ask of anyone their best. We will never ask for perfection, and certainly never instant perfection.

When we do our best, and try and try and try to get it right, sometimes over and over, God helps, his Spirit strengthens. We try to recognise the best in others, and in their failures be forgiving and encouraging. Criticism of anyone’s best is certainly not allowed!

Tough times. But I know, even amongst chaos and failure, we are trying to do our best for God. And we meet someone’s best with grace, forgiveness and encouragement.

The authorities in Cairo have asked taxi drivers to sound their horns as much as possible as they drive around the city. It was felt that a return to the old sounds of the city will help people relax as they come out of lockdown, and recover from the pandemic. The mayor of Cairo said the policy of “Toot and Calm ’em” will last for one week

Some “Useful” prayers

Almost two years ago, we started to consider revising our service booklets. They had originally been printed as an experiment, and had proved very successful. At that time, I asked for comments on the printing of the service, and suggestions for prayers to use privately before and during the service.

People’s responses were hidden on my desk of 18 months (yes, it is possible for things to disappear on my desk for at least 18 months!!!). However, I decided to tidy the desk, and found the replies, sadly after I had set out a new version of the order for “common” time – when we wear green vestments in church. However, there were some prayer suggestions, so thought I would print them here.

These are from Jackie F.

Before the service starts:

Heavenly Father, I am here with other faithful Christians to celebrate the Eucharist as Jesus told us to do in memory of Him.

As we do this with Jesus, may we be united to Him, so that He lives in us and we in Him, and share all that He did for your glory and for our salvation, in His whole sacrificial life on earth at His birth, death, resurrection and ascension.

Accept this our sharing in His sacrifice offered to You:

For your honour and glory

In thanksgiving for all your blessings

For the forgiveness of my sins

For the welfare of mankind

For the welfare of your whole churches

For my family, friends and all others I ought to pray for, living and departed

And for myself with all my fears and hopes

Though Jesus Christ our Lord, with the holy Spirit, in the company with all faithful Christians on earth and in heaven. Amen.

Before going to the altar to receive communion:

Lord Jesus, you are here in the Holy Sacrament of the altar, present in the signs of bread and wine, to be our food and drink of eternal life.

You are the real bread of heaven, giving us the bread of your body.

You are the real wine from heaven, giving us the wine of your own blood.

So come, Lord Jesus, in this holy sacrament, and have mercy on me a sinner.

Feed me with your own life, so that you are in me and I in you, and be for me the way that leads to true and lasting life and happiness, truly human life in all its fullness, in the presence of God, our Father.

After receiving Holy Communion:

Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ in His most holy sacrament.

Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ who comes to me in His most holy sacrament.

Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ who is in me through His most holy sacrament.

More prayers suggested for personal use by others before, during and after a service when reviewing our printed orders:

This prayer was found written on the wall in Mother Teresa's home for children in Calcutta:

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway. ►

Remembrance Sunday Services and Events

Remembrance Sunday Service at St. Cyprian's
10.30am on Sunday 14th November 2021

Joint Remembrance Sunday Service at the Woodilee War Memorial
2pm on Sunday, 14th November 2021

The memorial (*right*) is on the left of the gravel path that starts at the corner of Menzies Drive and Lapwing Ave. There is also a set of stairs down to it by the second pedestrian lights as you go through Woodilee from Initiative Road

We have also received this from Lenzie Community Council:

We would like to invite all youth organisations, schools, churches and others, to participate in the Community Garden of Remembrance again - this time using the grassy area to the left of the Gold Jubilee Statue at the Train Station car park thanks to ScotRail and Lenzie Train Station. People and organisations can contribute by placing wreaths, poppies, crosses, and stones between Monday 1st November and Sunday 14th November. The garden will be created on Saturday 30th October in order for people to know where to place items.



► If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun

shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

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

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

We Will Remember

Remembrance Sunday this year is on the 14th November. On the previous page in this magazine are details of how we plan to mark the day.

I recently found a 40th anniversary edition of the Daily Mirror, which was simply a copy of the Daily Mirror for the 16th August 1940. To mark Remembrance Sunday, I thought it might be good to collate some of the articles

from that newspaper, a sign of how the war affected everyone, and the concerns people had at the time. I hope people will be able to read these bits.

Plane Trap Is Secret

A PLANE trap erected by the Ministry of Transport caught a German bomber yesterday and wrecked it.

All the crew were killed.

British military authorities have no intention of giving away to the enemy details of the plane trap.

The trap is the latest British "hush-hush" defence weapon, as the Nazis have already learned to their cost.

More news of its formidable and effective nature can be expected soon.

Threw Bomb Overboard

When a German raider dropped a bomb down the funnel of a trawler in the Channel, the skipper ran from the bridge, carried the bomb from the engine-room to the deck, and threw it overboard.

It exploded a second before it hit the water, and the ship was undamaged.

The skipper's courage saved the ship and the lives of all but one of his crew.

He picked the bomb from the bilge, and staggered with it up the companion-way.

TO PROTECT FOOD FROM

As a part of the Government to be ready in advance for all forms of enemy attack, the Ministry of Food has prepared a leaflet on poison gas and food.

The leaflet, which is for urban areas only, explains how to do if food becomes contaminated.

The issue of the leaflet, the Ministry, does not in any way mean that attack by poison gas is imminent, but residents in urban areas who wish to be prepared should obtain copies of the leaflet at the town hall.

RAF RAID NOT ON OIL TANKS

PLANES of the Fleet Air Arm in a successful raid on the Norwegian coast, bombed a depot and secured destruction of two remaining tanks which had been attacked previously.

The larger of the two tanks was set on fire.

A motor patrol vessel was also set on fire, and two hits were made on a ship.

The raid, it was announced, was made on Wednesday, and our planes returned safely.

COLONEL, AGED 66, WHILE PIGEON SHOT

Colonel Cecil G. Harcourt, 66, of Binderton House, was shot dead while in his grounds.

He was alone, but which he was found had caught his toe, stumbled forward with his gun went off.

Verdict: Accidental.

GERMANS RATION

Ration cards have been issued throughout Germany.

GRAF SPEE MEN ARE A COSTLY NUISANCE

The German seamen who last December scuttled the pocket battleship Graf Spee outside Montevideo harbour and are interned in the Argentine, are becoming a costly problem to the Government.

Under international neutrality law, the Argentine Government must pay them full naval pay. Already this has cost about £30,000, and so far the Argentine has had no word from Germany regarding reimbursement.

TRAIN BOMBED: SEVERAL KILLED

SEVERAL passengers were killed by bomb splinters when a train was stopped during a raid over north-east England yesterday.

In the same area an express train was machine-gunned by a German plane.

A passenger, David Stafford, was injured in the leg. Carriage windows were broken.

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AN R.A.F. pilot, aged nineteen, who has brought down nine enemy planes, has been awarded the D.F.C.

Pilot-Officer James Eric Stor-
rar, of Vicar's Cross, Chester,
whose name appears in last
night's list of awards for
gallantry, joined the R.A.F. on
leaving school, and got his
wings a few days after his
eighteenth birthday.

He is Chester's first D.F.C.

His father, Mr. James Stor-
rar, veterinary surgeon, told the *Daily
Mirror* last night: "We are delighted
with James's award. His mother has
sent him a telegram, 'Well done,
Jimmy. From the proudest mother in
England.'"

But Jimmy treated his heroism
lightly. When his father visited him
at his station he asked what was in
a letter lying on a table.

"Oh, that's only the D.F.C.,"
replied Jimmy.

Before he joined the R.A.F. on
leaving school young Stor-
rar, Chester City and County
School swimming team.

The official report says: "Pilot
Officer James Eric Stor-
rar took part
in the intensive fighting over Dun-

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CARS ARE SHOWING TOO MUCH LIGHT

Motorists should overhaul their
lamps. Police are keeping a special
watch on car lights.

Observations from the air show
that many motorists are not com-
plying with the regulations. Many
side lights are much too bright and
headlamp masks are defective or
wrongly adjusted.

Dazzling is sometimes caused by the
lamp getting tilted, or by the mask
twisting round.

Only one headlamp may be used,
except in fog. Buses and coaches can
carry two headlamps.

White paint on the backs of cars
is getting dingy in many cases, and
drivers should see that it is kept
fresh and clean.

A pamphlet on how to dim car
lights can be had at police stations.

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BOMB KILLS TWO SOLDIERS

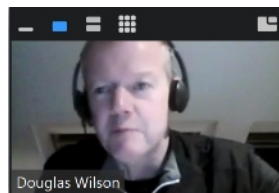
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- If you can help get in touch - we rely entirely on grants and donations: £10 pays for toys for a caravan; £50 covers travel costs for a host holiday; £250 pays for a family holiday; £5000 can pay for one caravan to be on site for one full year enabling 30 families and around 90 kids to get a holiday; £25,000 can pay for one new replacement caravan; our annual costs are around £80-90,000 per year
- Visit our website: www.glasgowchildrensholidayscheme.org.uk
- Follow us on Twitter @GCHS_charity #makingmemories
- Read Making Memories, the Story of Glasgow Children's Holiday Scheme

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Our September meeting/service didn't go quite to plan! Revd. Dom Ind, our Diocesan Chaplain, was coming from Helensburgh to take the service, but was caught up in traffic caused by a major accident on the road to Balloch so wasn't with us at the planned start of the evening. We adapted, of course, and had tea and coffee, while awaiting his arrival.

When we eventually got under way, it was great to have members of MU from Bishopbriggs, Cumbernauld and Helensburgh with us. Jill, Judith and Mary were admitted as full MU members as part of the service and Dom's address was based on the theme of Hope mentioned last month.

A number of our members attended the Diocesan Autumn Council on Zoom, where the guest speaker was Douglas Wilson who works for Glasgow Children's Holiday Scheme (GCHS). His talk was very interesting and MU has long been a supporter of this charity, so his appeal was included in our discussions at our October meeting on the 20th October. At that meeting we also heard from Hilary Moran (our Diocesan Communications Trustee) who asked each Branch to become involved in the UN '16 Days of Activism Campaign'. This campaign raises awareness of

Gender Based Violence with this year's tagline being '# no more 1 in 3'. It is estimated that one woman in three will experience GBV in her lifetime.

Both topics were discussed at our October meeting, so we plan to collect items to put into 'shoe boxes' for the Holiday Scheme and take part in the '# no more 1 in 3' prayer vigil being organised for the 27th November in Glasgow. We also started on a project to make 'Crosses for our Pockets' for Mothering Sunday next year, and admitted Di to full membership as she hadn't been able to attend the September meeting.

Our November meeting will include making our GCHS boxes as well as collecting items for Unity Enterprise for Les, and discussing the way forward for Mothers' Union in the future. ►

Music @ St Cyprian's



Bringing Music Back was the theme of the first concert to be held in St. Cyprian's since lockdown in March 2020.

The concert, on 25th September, featured young musicians from the Music School of Douglas Academy alongside the strings of McOpera (*above*). It was a great evening that really highlighted the talent of the young people.

Next, on 16th October, we had Andy McTaggart, baritone, and Tim Dean, piano, (right) give a concert entitled 'A Landscape of Song', which featured a wide variety of songs. Another great evening.

We now look forward to welcoming the Sequoia Duo (Alice Rikards, violin, and Sonia Cromarty, 'cello) on 13th November for 'Water Music - Source to Sea'. It's described as "a

sonic imaging of the journey taken by a raindrop as it travels along Scotland's waterways. It combines music by classical and folk composers, field recordings and Beka Globe's bold photography to immerse audiences in one of Scotland's most iconic sources."

It sounds fascinating and will be another great musical adventure for St. Cyprian's. Please come and join us.

For more details, please go to:
musicstcyprians.co.uk



► So, lots happening just now and we would love to have you with us. All are welcome, and we would love to see you at our next meeting on Wednesday 10th November at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

Maxine Gow
Branch Leader

Glennis is running a charity card stall on 6th and 7th November after the Pet Blessing Service and the 10.30am service. She hopes to have cards from Mothers' Union, Gavins Mill and RNLI.

I asked my Grandpa “after 65 years you still call Grandma beautiful, darling and honey. What’s the secret?”

He said “I forgot her name five years ago and I’m scared to ask her!”

My car broke down, looked under the bonnet and a bat was sitting there.



“Hello he said,
you are a smart
attractive man.”
Problem
solved: bat flattery

“Birds of a feather Flock together”

“Does that mean birds like to stick together? Including crows?”

“Yes! Especially Crows!”

“Then why are they not called Velcrows???”

Steve, who many of us know, posted this on Facebook. I think it is absolutely true, and needs to be said and heard again and again, so decided to add it here. Thanks Steve.

Here’s to the people
Whose trauma did not
Give them a thick skin.

The ones who became more
Sensitive and insecure
Who cry more easily
Who get overwhelmed
At small things.

I’m so tired of the
Narrative that trauma
Makes you tough
And untouchable.
We are survivors
No superheroes.

Music at St.Cyprian's
Scottish Episcopal Church, Beech Road Lenzie G66 4HN
Winter Music Series 2021-2022

Saturday November 13th at 7.30pm
1 hr performance. No interval. Social Distancing. Masks required.

SEQUOIA DUO
Alice Rickards - Violin
Sonia Cromarty - Cello

**Water Music -
Source to Sea**

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Three stories which prove that burglars are not the brightest people around . . .

There is a story of a guy who robbed a bank wearing a bandana around the bottom of his face and his motorbike helmet to disguise his identity, and thought he had got away with the money. What he had forgotten – his name was written in bold letters on the front of his helmet

There is a story of a guy who robbed a bank. He held up an envelope for the cashier saying “Hand over all the money, I’ve got a gun.” As he made his getaway he left his envelope. On the opposite side of the envelope was his name and address, including postcode!

And my favourite story (which is true – I saw it personally in the newspaper). There was a guy who robbed a garage and grabbed all the cash. He also loved “Munchies” (chocolate sweets) and grabbed a tray of his favourite sweets. The police followed the trail of Munchie wrappers and arrived at his home at the same time as he did!

Pet Blessing Service

Saturday 6th November 2021 sees the return of our Annual Pet Blessing Service after skipping a year. We gather in church at 11am.

Everyone, whether they have a pet or not, is welcome to come along – we would love to see you. We would love you to bring whatever pet you would like. And even better – pets don't have to wear masks!!!!

There will be refreshments for anyone who comes and their pets afterwards (as long as the pet is a dog!!!!)

Why not tell friends and family, especially those with pets.



Poverty Perspective

I saw this on an American post on Facebook. So please forgive the "Americanisms," but I loved the sentiment:

One day a very wealthy father took his son on a trip to the country for the sole purpose of showing his son how it was to be poor. They spent a few days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family.

After their return from the trip, the father asked his son how he liked the trip. "It was great, Dad," the son replied. "Did you see how poor people can be?" the father asked. "Oh Yeah," said the son.

"So what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father. The son answered, "I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front

yard and they have the whole horizon.

We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others.

We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them." The boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "It showed me just how poor we really are."

Too many times we forget what we have and concentrate on what we don't have. What is one person's worthless object is another's prize possession. It is all based on one's perspective.

Sometimes it takes the perspective of a child to remind us what's important.

A police recruit was asked what he would do if he had to arrest his own mother. His reply: "Call for backup!"

Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We are asked to pray for our Bishop, Kevin, every day.

NOVEMBER 2021

Daily Prayers

- 1st The Saints of the whole church
- 2nd The faithful departed
- 3rd Those who mourn
- 4th Deceased Clergy and Lay Readers
- 5th Interfaith Relations (Maggie McTernan)
- 6th Our pets and those who attend our Pet Blessing Service today

Sunday 7th November Pentecost 24

ANGLICAN

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

DIOCESAN

Christ Church, Lanark (Drew Sheridan, Lee Johnston, Robert Burgon, Richard Evans).
St Paul and St John the Evangelist, Monklands (Kirsten Freeman).

Daily Prayers

- 8th SEC: General Synod Office (John Stuart, Secretary General).
- 9th The families of those who have died in armed conflicts
- 10th Erskine Hospital and nursing home
- 11th The Scottish Poppy Appeal
- 12th Pastoral Assistants, Eucharistic Assistants, Worship Leaders and Spiritual Companions in the Diocese
- 13th Chaplaincy in Hospitals, Education and Commerce

Sunday 14th November Pentecost 25

ANGLICAN

The Anglican Church of Australia

DIOCESAN

Anglican Chaplaincy, University of Glasgow (Kelvin Holdsworth, Oliver Brewer-Lennon)

Daily Prayers

- 15th Staff and patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes
- 16th Lay Representatives, Alternate Lay Representatives and members of Regional Councils
- 17th The Methodist Church in Scotland (Mark Slaney)
- 18th Those struggling with poverty
- 19th The United Reformed Church (Paul Whittle)
- 20th EMU Partnership Agreement.

Sunday 21st November Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King)

ANGLICAN

The Church of Bangladesh

DIOCESAN

Bishop Gregor Duncan, Bishop Idris Jones, Bishop John Taylor, Bishop Gordon Mursell, all retired clergy and those in Post-Retiral Ministry.

Daily Prayers

- 22nd Those in training for ordained and lay ministries.
- 23rd Porvoo Link: The Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church.
- 24th The work of the Mission Aviation Fellowship
- 25th The Dean (Reuben Preston)
- 26th The Church of Scotland

& Daily Intentions

27th The Roman Catholic Church in Scotland.

Sunday 28th November Advent Sunday

ANGLICAN

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

DIOCESAN

North Ayrshire Team: St Andrew's, Ardrossan; St Peter's, Dalry; St Andrew's, Irvine (Lee Johnston, Linda Whitby, Margaret Williams).

Daily Prayers

29th Key workers who provide our essential services

30th The people of Scotland

DECEMBER 2021

1st SEC: Provincial Standing Committee & Provincial Boards

2nd For all those living with HIV and AIDS

3rd Thanksgiving for living fellowship

4th The rejection of discrimination and stigmatisation

Sunday 5th December Second Sunday of Advent

ANGLICAN

The Anglican Church of Burundi

DIOCESAN

Holy Trinity, Ayr (Martyn Trembath).

St Oswald's, Maybole (Jim Geen, Liz Crumlish).

Sunday Readings

Pentecost 24

7th November 2021

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Psalms 127

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Christ the King

21st November 2021

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalms 93

Revelation 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

Second Sunday of Advent

5th December 2021

Malachi 3:1-4

Luke 1:68-79

Philippians 1:3-11

Luke 3:1-6

Pentecost 25 - Remembrance Sunday

14th November 2021

Micah 4:1-4

Psalms 46

James 4:1-3, 7-10

Matt 5:1-12

Advent Sunday

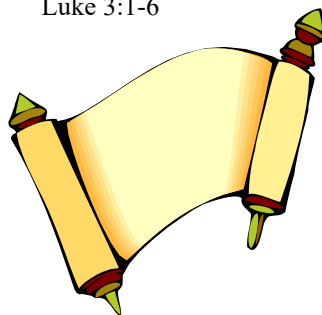
28th November 2021

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:1-10

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Luke 21:25-36



Kalendar

NOVEMBER 2021

Mon 1st ALL SAINTS

Tue 2nd All Souls

Wed 3rd 7.30pm BRF Discussion Group on Zoom (see opposite page)

Thu 4th 10am Eucharist in Choir Vestry

Sat 6th 11am **Pet Blessing Service** in Church

Sun 7th Pentecost 24

9.15am Said Eucharist

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Wed 10th 7.30pm Mother's Union Meeting in Church Hall

Thu 11th 10am Eucharist with Act of Remembrance (in Choir Vestry)

Sat 13th 7.30pm **Music@St Cyprian's Concert** - Sequoia Duo

Sun 14th Pentecost 25 - Remembrance Sunday

(Consecration of Samuel Seabury, Bishop, 1784)

9.15am Said Eucharist

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in Church and via Zoom)

Tue 16th Margaret of Scotland, 1093

Thu 18th 10am Eucharist in Choir Vestry

Sun 21st Last Sunday after Pentecost

9.15am Said Eucharist

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in Church and via Zoom)

Wed 24th 7.30pm BRF Discussion Group on Zoom (see opposite page)

Thu 25th 10am Eucharist in Choir Vestry

Sun 28th Advent Sunday

9.15am Said Eucharist

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in Church and via Zoom)

Tue 30th Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland



Fair Trade

St Cyprian's is a Fair Trade Church and is therefore committed to using Fair Trade products.

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 stall, we hope, will be held in the run up to Christmas. Please buy Fair Trade at the local shops when you can. Thank you.

If any of this changes, we'll update our website and advise those who receive the Link by email of the changes. The Link can be downloaded from: link.stcyprianslenzie.com

DECEMBER 2021

Thu 2 nd	10am	Eucharist in Choir Vestry
Sat 4 th	10am	'Modified' Christmas Fair (more details next time)

Sun 5 th	Second Sunday of Advent	
	9.15am	Said Eucharist
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (in church and via Zoom)

The Province is still providing online services at 11am on Sundays and at various other times. The details and links are at www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/

Les is also continuing to produce an online worship service on YouTube. The frequency has been reduced, but he will let everyone who receives the weekly Link email know when one is available and how to get it. Sign up for the email on our website if you haven't already.

“Christmas at Risk as Supply Chain ‘Disaster’ Only Gets Worse!”

I recently saw this headline. I promise that at St. Cyprian's Church Christmas is not at risk. Christmas will be marked, noted, celebrated and enjoyed to the full!!!!!!

Christmas has already happened – 2000 years ago, and it was pretty spectacular.

Christmas is happening now when Jesus is born anew daily in our hearts.

Christmas will happen in December when we sing “. . . . unto us a boy is born, King of all creation” or anything like it!

Christmas will happen in a new way in our future when we are born anew in the presence of the living God, in the presence of our brother Jesus.

I repeat – Christmas is not at risk. Supply chain disasters will not even make a dent in Christmas!!!

BRF Discussion

There is a group of folk at St. Cyprian's who read *New Daylight* published by the Bible Reading Fellowship. They usually get together on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

You don't need to have *New Daylight*, a note of the readings they are going to discuss is sent out with the joining instructions and will also be in the Link.

They are currently meeting on Zoom. The next meetings will be on 3rd and 24th November at 7.30pm.

If you are interested, please have a word with Glennis Tavener who will make sure you get the Zoom Access codes and readings each time.

Change and Restoration

With the relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions at the end of the summer, we have re-started our 9.15am service on a Sunday and our Thursday 10am service. The Link is also now available in paper form at Church.

Coffee is now available after church. We are still looking for more volunteers for the coffee rota so it doesn't come round so often for the current volunteers. Please let Pat or Paul Hindle know if you can help.

We are still streaming the 10.30 am Sunday service via Zoom and that looks set to continue

indefinitely. The instructions for joining are emailed out with the Link each Friday and are also available on the home page of our website. You can also sign up there for the email.

With the restart of the Thursday service, we are no longer having online Coffee Time. Please let the Rector know if you would wish attend the Thursday service online.

We're even now looking to hold a Christmas Fair at the beginning of December. It will be a much smaller affair than pre-Covid. Please look out for more details in the Link and the next magazine.

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Date	Reader	Intercessor	Coffee	Counting
7 Nov 2021	Judith Beastall	Mary Haigh	Sally Hadden	Gavin Boyd & Janet Faughey
14 Nov 2021	Eileen Ferry	Gavin Boyd	Pat & Paul Hindle	David Taylor & Tony Farnell
21 Nov 2021	Diana Farnell	Maxine Gow	Anne Carswell	Sally Haddeh & Judith Beastall
28 Nov 2021	Mary Haigh	Aileen Mundy	Jill Taylor	Aileen Mundy & Paul Hindle
5 Dec 2021	David Taylor	Glennis Tavener	Mary & Gavin Boyd	Di Farnell & Gavin Boyd
12 Dec 2021	Kevin Wilbraham	Gavin Boyd	Jackie & Mark Fenton	Janet Faughey & David Taylor
19 Dec 2021	Janet Faughey	Mary Haigh	Maxine Gow	Tony Farnell & Sally Hadden
24 Dec 2021	Sally Hadden	Maxine Gow		
25 Dec 2021	Jill Taylor	Gavin Boyd		
26 Dec 2021	Mary Haigh	Aileen Mundy	Judith Beastall	Judith Beastall & Aileen Mundy
2 Jan 2022	Judith Beastall	Glennis Tavener	Janet Faughey	Paul Hindle & Di Farnell