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What's On in July at Christ Church and District

Sunday, 3rd

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

2-5 p.m. Open Garden at Southwick House; £4.00

Monday, 4th

10.30 a.m. House Group at Islecroft House, Dalbeattie

Tuesday, 5th

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion at Barlochan Care Home

1.45 p.m. House Group at Strontian, Dalbeattie

Wednesday, 6th

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Ninian's, CD

2-4 p.m. Musical Minds at the Church Centre, Craignair Street, Dalbeattie. Contact: Norman Kennedy 01556 610650

Thursday, 7th

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

12 noon House Group at Struanlea, Dalbeattie

Sunday, 10th

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist; Retiring Collection for Sea Sunday

6.00 p.m. Evensong at St Ninian's, Castle Douglas

Monday, 11th

10.00 a.m. Ordinary Vestry Meeting in the Church Hall

Tuesday, 12th

10.00 a.m.-12 noon; Hard of Hearing Drop-In Clinic; Church Hall

Wednesday 13th

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Ninian's, CD

Thursday, 14th

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

2.00 p.m. Chat & Craft Group at 30 Mill Street, Dalbeattie

Friday, 15th

1.30 p.m. Lakeland Production present a Summer Garden Party at the Dalbeattie Day Centre. Free entry; non members welcome.

Friday, 15th

} 11.00 a.m.-5.00 p.m. Southwick Church Flower Festival

& Saturday, 16th } Teas available

& Sunday, 17th }

Sunday, 17th

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

2.00 p.m. Service at Munches Care Home, Dalbeattie

Monday, 18th

10.30 a.m. House Group at Islecroft House, Dalbeattie

Wednesday 20th

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Ninian's, CD

1.15 p.m. DDC presents The Catstrand Ukes at the Dalbeattie Day Centre. Free entry; non-members welcome.

Thursday, 21st

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday, 24th

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Tuesday, 26th

2.30 p.m. Julian Meeting at Savat

Wednesday, 27th

10.00 a.m.-2.00 p.m. Christ Church Summer Fete at Colvend Village Hall. £2.00

Wednesday, 27th

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Ninian's, CD

Thursday, 28th

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

9.30 a.m.-3.30 p.m. Pop-Up Shop in aid of Dalbeattie Parish Church Funds

Friday, 29th

Pop-Up Shop as above

Saturday, 30th

Pop-Up Shop as above

Sunday, 31st

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

A message from Revd Mark Smith ...

It's summer! How do I know?

We've changed the clocks to BST.

We're past the solstice, past mid-summer day.

You may have heard the saying: "One swallow doesn't make the summer." I've seen lots!

We've even had some sunshine!

Still not convinced?

Schools are on their summer break.

Tesco delivery men have got their legs out.

Wimbledon has arrived – with strawberries and cream, of course.

The countryside is full of life and some of it may have sneaked into your gardens.

Still not sure?

Of course you are.

We are fully aware of the signs around us and know what they mean.

However, many people fail to see things going on around them and miss out on the obvious.

We are surrounded by signs of life and blessings abound in our homes and communities.

The Apostle Paul wrote "what may be known about God is plain ... since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – His eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse." (Letter to Romans, chapter 1, verses 19&20)

Enjoy the summer. Watch the wildlife. Smell the breeze. Slow down and think about what you see. Think about God and His abundant blessings. Ask Him to help you see the obvious – His love poured out through Jesus – so that your own faith can grow just as the weeds do, taking every opportunity to fill any gaps.

I pray that God will refresh you by His Spirit during this holiday time.

May God Bless you.

From the Registers

Baptism

5th June, 2016

Eiladh Sophia Ward

Please turn to page 11 for two delightful photographs of this happy occasion. Thanks to the family for these photographs.

News from Christ Church

On Sunday 12th June after our morning celebration of the Eucharist and our loyal toast to HM Queen Elizabeth II during the weekend of celebrations to mark her 90th Birthday we spent 30 minutes in Church discussing the last year's achievements and problems; then it was into the Hall for lunch before discussing the way ahead for MAP Year 3.



The loyal toast to HM the Queen. Helen Stephens has suggested that we reproduce the 'Gate of the Year' quoted by the Archbishop of Canterbury during the service at St Paul's Cathedral on the 10th June.



And I said to the man who stood at the **gate of the year:**

"Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown!"

And he replied:

"Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."

So, I went forth, and finding the Hand of God, trod gladly into the night

And He led me toward the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

So, heart, be still!

What need our little life,

Our human life, to know,

If God hath comprehension?

In all the dizzy strife

Of things both high and low

God hideth His intention.

Minnie Louise Haskins 1876-1957

This poem was quoted by King George VI in his Christmas Message 1939.

THE MEETING ...

Anthony Duncalf posted the following comment on Christ Church's Facebook page.

"Mission Action Plan meeting - a total of 15 of us shared lunch together after the service and discussed our achievements as a congregation over the last year, identifying areas for growth in the year ahead. A very encouraging and positive session! We agreed that our priorities for the next year will be to continue to work on improving communication within the congregation and beyond, and to make a more conscious effort to acknowledge and celebrate our successes and achievements. A couple of specific goals were set, which will be spelled out in more detail shortly. Thank you to all who came along and took part - and particularly to Anne McWilliam for facilitating the discussions."

The specific goals:

One: Improvement to Communication

Team Leader the Revd Mark Smith

Target Date for completion ADVENT SUNDAY

Two: Celebration of success

Team Leader Canon David Bayne

Target date for completion when the work on the tower is finished.

It has been suggested that we have an open week-end at the Church for visitors to **Come & See** what has been done.



L-R: Revd Mark Smith, Anne MacWilliam; Revd Beryl Scott, Jenny Edkins & Alfred Thorp

News from Dalbeattie & District Churches Together: Anthony Duncalf reports :

Civic Praise; Sunday, 7th August; in Colliston Park. After the success of this event last year, Dalbeattie & District Churches Together are hoping to put together a 'choir' drawn from all the local churches to help lead the singing this year. Anyone interested should speak to Anthony Duncalf or the Revd Mark Smith in the first instance.

The Bishop's Summer Lecture was held at the Gordon Memorial Hall, St Ninian's, Castle Douglas on Monday, 20th June. Over 50 people from all corners of the Region from Stranraer to Gretna (west to east), and from Moffat to Dalbeattie (north to south).

Bishop Gregor explored such questions as:

- ♦ *Just how relevant is our Episcopalian liturgy to the people around us?*
- ♦ *Can it introduce them to the living God?*
- ♦ *What about its language, its ceremony, its symbolism; does it connect or does it alienate?*
- ♦ *Does it express a relationship with God or is it an anachronism?*

As always the Bishop gave a fascinating talk, inviting people to ask questions as his lecture progressed. Bishop Gregor gave many examples to illustrate the points he was making. Thank you Bishop. And, thank you Stephanie for the photograph. MP



News from the Region

Stewartry Food Bank (copied from St Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet website). Thank you once again for your amazing generosity. After a busy time, foods needed include cereals, spreads, tinned veg (not tomatoes) and toothpaste

A Choral Evensong is to be held on **Sunday, 26th June** at 5.00pm at Greyfriars, Kirkcudbright, to mark the **50th anniversary of John Martin's ordination** and to ask God to prepare them for a fruitful relationship with their new Rector.

The Christ Church congregation would like to take this opportunity to congratulate John on this significant milestone in his ministry.

News From the Province

The Scottish Episcopal Church's General Synod has made the first step of any Anglican Church in the UK towards allowing same-sex marriage in church. The Synod voted that a change to its Canon Law governing marriage should be sent for discussion to the church's seven dioceses. A further vote will happen at next year's synod. The proposal would remove the doctrinal clause which states that marriage is between a man and a woman. There would be a "conscience clause" for those who would not want to conduct a same-sex marriage.

Speaking after the vote, the Secretary-General of the Anglican Communion, Archbishop Josiah Idowu-Fearon, said: *"The churches of the Anglican Communion are autonomous and free to make decisions about policy.*

Today's decision is only the first step in the process of changing canon law on marriage."

The Right Reverend Dr Gregor Duncan, Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway and acting convener of the church's Faith and Order Board, said: *"The synod's decision this year is important because it represents the beginning of a formal process of canonical change. The church has been engaged in recent years in a series of discussions at all levels. The current process will enable the Church come to a formal decision on the matter."*

Worshipping with fellow Christians in Argyle - May 2016

Edith writes about her & Alfred's holiday:

Alfred and I rented accommodation in Brodick, Arran.

We had discovered that someone who had stayed with us for a fortnight in 1983, while on a mission from the Theological College at Mirfield, to our parish in Woking, had become Rector of the church in Lochgilphead. Lochgilphead also looks after the church in Whiting Bay, so we wondered if he might be on the Island when we were there.

It turned out that he had been to Whiting Bay the previous Sunday, but that he was leading a parish Pilgrimage to Gigha on the Saturday we were on Arran. Would we like to join them?

Of course we would. So up early on the Saturday morning, to leave Brodick at 7.00 am to travel to Loch Ranza to get the first ferry across at 8.30 a.m. The ferry was small and we had to be sure of a place on board; the ferry linked in with the ferry from West Loch Tarbert to Islay, so we knew that it might be busy.

A sunny day, but with a cold wind, it was a lovely sail across, taking half-an-hour, and giving Alfred time to catch up with one of the crew who had a house in Rounall Avenue, Dalbeattie! We had spoken to him a couple of years previously. We also met a couple from Campbelltown who were great friends of Tom and Elizabeth Clemence also of Dalbeattie!

We were first off the ferry and led the procession of around 10 cars on the passing places road across the Mull that met up with the Tarbert/Campbelltown road. Most turned north, we turned south to reach Tayinloan and the Gigha ferry. We didn't need to take the car across, and the ferry when it sailed had eight Rolls Royce/Bentleys aboard! Staying at Tarbert for the weekend, they were having a day out!

We met up with The Revd Canon Simon Mackenzie and his seven parishioners at Tayinloan. Simon is very distinctive - tall, a pony-tail, uses a monocle and very high church! Because it was such a lovely day, the Celebration took place in the 13th Century ruined church of St Cathan. The cyborium (a goblet shaped vessel for holding Eucharistic Bread) was two pan lids formed to make a container! A very atmospheric situation, with blue sky and an unidentified raptor circling above. There we were, seven centuries after the church had been built, still keeping the faith witnessing to the world.

We left fairly early in the afternoon, to make the return journey, and leaving enough time before the last ferries, just incase we were stranded on the mainland.

On Sunday we travelled to Whiting Bay to worship with the congregation there. Another group of Christians keeping the faith. The service there was from the Reserved Sacrament with a congregation of 12 including us. The music was from a 'machine' and the setting for the liturgy was unknown, but had voices added, which helped to bulk it out.

For me it was so good to be worshipping in Argyle, the diocese of my birth, and to have the sense of the continuity of the Christian witness in our land throughout the centuries.



The Celebrant



The Welcomer

Edith's mention of the **Theological College** at Mirfield reminded of the time when for two terms, my late husband, Ralph, stayed at the **Hostel of the Resurrection** when he was a student at Leeds University. More about this in the next magazine. Muriel Palmer

Worshipping with fellow Christians at Colvend. As many of our readers know, Nicholas & I moved at the beginning of May (yes, we have moved again). From our back garden we have a wonderful pastoral view of fields and trees; on the horizon we can see the tower and spire of Colvend Church. When the Church is shrouded in mist the view is even more magical.

To get there was a journey of but a mile - it would have been a quarter of a mile if we could have walked across the fields. We received a very warm welcome. At the service A Song Book for All the Churches **COMMON GROUND** was used. Many of the Hymns included in the book have been written by John L Bell. *Muriel Palmer*

SEA SUNDAY 10TH JULY 2016

Jenni Gray writes about The Mission to Seafarers. Jenni is a Trustee and Director to the Mission for Seafarers, Scotland.. She wrote this article for the Challoch Newsletter and has given permission for it to be included in our magazine,

It was in 1835 that the Reverend John Ashley, a young Anglican Priest first began visiting ships at anchor in the Bristol Channel. He became so aroused by the isolation of seafarers that he gave up a secure living to devote his life to helping those who served at sea and after inspiring other ministers in other ports it was decided in 1856 to coordinate and expand this mission. It became known as *The Missions to Seaman* until the year 2000 when it was changed to *The Mission to Seafarers*, to reflect more accurately what in reality it had always been, namely a missionary society of the Anglican Church, caring for the spiritual and practical welfare of seafarers, regardless of gender, nationality or faith.

Sea Sunday is a day set aside in the churches calendar to remember seafarers everywhere and the theme for 2016 is '**160 years**'. To reflect on the past but also to celebrate the life and work of today's seafarers, the 1.5 million on whom we are so dependant and yet who are so often forgotten. We are all absolutely dependant on their efforts, although so few of us seem aware that over 90% of those things that sustain our daily lives come by sea. Medicines, food, fuel, cars, machinery, furniture, computers, raw materials; all reach our shores by ship, and without the seafarer we would have just 14 days of food left in the whole of the British Isles.

Shipping contracts are very long, sometimes 10 months a year in duration. This means being separated from home and family for long periods of time. This can bring many stresses, often feelings of intense isolation or powerlessness, particularly when crew become aware of problems at home. *The Mission to Seafarers* works in over **260 ports** in **71 countries**. Through our global network of chaplains, staff and volunteers we offer practical, emotional and spiritual support to seafarers through ship visits and a range of welfare and emergency support services. Our 121 international '**Flying Angel**' seafarers' centres offer a 'home away from home' providing a range of facilities including telephone and internet services, which enable seafarers to contact loved ones and the opportunity to relax away from their ship. Over **155,421 seafarers** are welcomed to our centres each year, where seafarers can meet with a Mission chaplain, or simply be able to find warm knitted items and clean clothing which is so very important to them, and can be the first kindness they may have been shown in many months. Whatever problem a seafarer is facing be it piracy, shipwreck, injury, non-payment of wages or abandonment in a foreign port, they know they can turn to the local Mission for help and we know that many seafarers' lives would be much harder if they were not able to do so.

Behind all Mission work lies that deep sense of Christian purpose, such purpose as drove

the Reverend John Ashley forward, a man who had visited more than 14,000 ships during his lifetime. Behind all Mission work lies that gospel imperative to recognize every human being as a neighbour.

Many seafarers who visit our centres speak to our chaplains of the sense of God they experience in the midst of their voyages. As for the 160 year journey of the Mission, one that has had its fair share of storms, we too can give thanks in the knowledge that we have not travelled alone. The God whom even wind and wave obey has been with us, and we ask that as we face a new decade we may bring hope and blessing to the seafarers we serve.

On Sea Sunday, 10th July, there will be a Retiring Collection for the Mission, please give generously.

Jenny Edkins wrote the following for our Facebook page on the day of Eiladh's Baptism:

"We welcomed Eiladh Sophia and her parents Sophie Knox and James Ward at Christ Church, Dalbeattie this morning. Beautiful baptism service and Eiladh Sophia was so pretty and took it all in her stride. Welcome to Christ Church from another Knox (myself) as well. Favourite hymn at end of the service; Great is Thy Faithfulness. Lovely to see so many family and friends supporting Eiladh, Sophie and James."



Eiladh with her supporters



Eiladh meets Mark

FOOD for THOUGHT

For those of you to whom Islam remains a mystery, the following introduction to it may give you considerable cause for thought.

There are 5 Pillars of Islam:

SHAHADAH: a creed declaring belief in the oneness of God and the acceptance of Muhammad as God's prophet

SALAH: a physical, mental or spiritual act of worship which is observed 5 times every day at prescribed times; it is preceded by ritual ablution.

ZAKAT: a form of alms-giving and religious tax. It is obligatory for all Muslims who meet the necessary criteria of wealth. The collected amount is given to poor Muslims, new converts and clergy. It is 2.5% of capital assets, but is also levied on agricultural goods, precious metals, minerals and livestock.

SAWM: to abstain from eating and drinking and sexual intercourse during daylight hours, as observed during Ramadan.

HAJJ: a pilgrimage to Mecca, which must be carried out at least once in every Muslim's lifetime by adults who are physically and financially capable of undertaking the journey and can support their family during their absence. The word means "to intend a journey".

Knitting for the Mission to Seafarers

Pattern for Woollen Hat

Two ounces/50 grammes of double knit or 4 ply wool

Size 8 (4mm) Needles

Cast on 120 stitches; Rib (2 plain 2 purl) for 12 inches

Next Row – Knit 2 together to end of the row

Purl next row. Repeat these two rows once more

Knit 1 row. Purl 1 row

Pull thread through all stitches and sew up seam



Knitted items can be left at the back of the Church and I will ensure that they are passed on to Jenni. Visit www.missiontoseafarers.org for more information about the Mission and for more knitting patterns. *Muriel Palmer*

Several of our readers have asked for a quiz. Sorting through boxes after our house move I came across a copy of QUIZWORD published by the Reader's Digest Association in 1976. MP

'What's Their Line?' On the left is a list of 20 occupations; on the right is what they call themselves. As both lists have been arranged in alphabetical order, they do not necessarily match. Which term on the right applies to the numbered occupations on the left?

1	Archer	Apiarist
2	Bee-keeper	Calligrapher
3	Bell-ringer	Campanologist
4	Bird-watcher	Cartographer
5	Butterfly-collector	Cembalist
6	Coin dealer	Dendrologist
7	Dentist	Hippiatrist
8	Gardener	Horologist
9	Fish breeder	Horticulturist
10	Hairdresser	Ichthyologist
11	Hand-writer	Lepidopterist
12	Horse vet	Numismatist
13	Map maker	Odontologist
14	Miracle worker	Ornithologist
15	Pot-holer	Philatelist
16	Piano player	Spelaeologist
17	Shorthand writer	Stenographer
18	Stamp collector	Thaumaturgist
19	Tree surgeon	Toxophilite
20	Watchmaker	Trichologist

Answers will be in the next magazine. The first correct entry received will be named the winner.

Have you a quiz or puzzle you could share with our readers? If, so, please send to Muriel by e-mail if possible. Written copies can be left at the back of the Church in an envelope marked Muriel Palmer. Thank you

Mothers' Union meeting 14th June 2016

Miranda Brignall reports:

This was the final meeting of the year 2015-2016 and it began with a service of Eucharist at St Ninian's, celebrated by Canon Bayne, during which two new members were enrolled - Sheila Gadsen and Marguerite Robb. Readings were read by the joint Branch Leaders.

Following the service we adjourned to St Ninian's Rectory for a delicious two-course lunch, provided by the members; most of us ate far too much!

After lunch presents were given to Canon and Mrs Bayne to thank them for their hospitality, and the meeting ended, as usual, with the Grace.

We shall reconvene on September 20th.

The Birthday girls - Betty was 94 on the 15th June; Janet will be 94 in July.



L-R: Alison; Sheila, Anne, Canon Bayne & Marguerite



L-R: The Birthday Girls—Betty & Janet



Below L & R: Lots of satisfied diners!!

Thanks to Stephanie Dewhurst for the photographs

For more information about the Mothers' Union Scotland visit their website www.muscotland.org.uk

and for more information about the St Ninian's Branch visit www.stninianscastledouglas.org.

SAINT of the MONTH

Saint Teneu 18th July

Teneu was traditionally held to be a sixth century Brittonic princess and has the dubious distinction of being Scotland's first recorded rape victim, battered woman and unmarried mother. The Welsh prince, Owain mab Urien of Rheged, disguised himself as a woman and befriended Teneu before sexually assaulting and then raping her. On discovering that Teneu was pregnant her angry father, King Lleuddin of Gododdin, sentenced her to death by hurling her from the top of Traprain Law. By a miracle she survived the fall and, when she was discovered alive at the foot of the cliff, she was set adrift in a coracle into the Firth of Forth, for the sea to do what it would to her. By another miracle she was washed ashore at Culross, where she was given shelter at the community of St Serf. There she gave birth to and raised her son Kentigern, whom Serf nicknamed Mungo, meaning "very dear one".

Teneu and Mungo are regarded as the co-patrons of the city of Glasgow and St Enoch's Square in the city allegedly marks the site of a medieval chapel dedicated to Teneu, built on or near her grave. St Enoch is a corruption of St Teneu.

Church Archives—Part Three

Church Hall copy letter

Dear Sir or Madam,

The need of a Church Hall in which to carry on our Sunday School and the various organizations necessary for the welfare and progress of the Church has long been felt by us, and we feel the time has arrived when a determined effort must be made to supply this great want. We have therefore decided to endeavour by means of subscriptions, and in other ways if need be, to raise the sum of £500, the probable amount required to build the Hall.

Knowing your usual generosity, and the interest you have taken in the Church generally, we confidently appeal to you to give us a donation towards our Building Fund. If the whole of the sum raised be not expended on the building of the Hall, what remains will be utilised in forming the nucleus of an endowment fund. We have a fairly large resident population, the men employed mostly in the granite quarries, and the girls, for the most part, in a small glove factory. The wages of our people are very small, and they cannot give very much, they have, however, all promised, and are fully determined, to do all they can to help forward this work.

We may add we have the full sanction of the Bishop in this matter and he is most anxious that the Hall should be built as soon as possible.

The following article was published in the Christ Church Magazine dated December 2206/ January 2007. The Revd Beryl Scott has given permission for the article to be reprinted in the magazine. MP

A WOODLAND BURIAL

“Over the years I have taken over 400 funerals, but in October one of them was a new experience.

I was privileged to take a Woodland Funeral of a friend, Cecil Grange. The service started with the family and friends gathering together in the house. We then drove the scenic route to Kirkcudbright and along the twisty, narrow lane which eventually leads to Gelston. After about two miles, we passed the remains of a mote at Loch Fergus, and then turned right into Glenley Farm.. The farm track led us for about three-quarters of a mile, driving through a burn to the field where we parked.

The biodegradable coffin, made of willow wicker, was carried across a field to the burial site. It is a beautiful spot, high up on the hillside above Kirkcudbright. A small , flat memorial plaque may be placed on the burial spot, and a tree planted, so that one day it will be a woodland area.

We were blessed with a dry, sunny day, but it would be more difficult in bad weather. This of course applies to any burial. I still remember vividly a very wet burial in a water-logged cemetery at Southwick. For those wanting burial, this seems a lovely way to say goodbye and also helps protect our environment. Most importantly, we remember that those we love are not her, but are now at peace with our Lord.

Footnote: When I read this article I went on-line to search for Glenley Farm. It is now known as Glenley Green Burials; it is situated in the rolling Galloway landscape. Glenley Green Burial Ground is a truly peaceful final resting place; it has been created from a former hay meadow. It is now managed in such a way as to encourage natural flora and fauna to flourish thereby creating a haven for wildlife and ensuring a legacy to be proud of. MP



Glenley Green Burials, Ladies Walk,
Kirkcudbright, DG6 4XX
telephone 01557 330359

From the Archives thanks to Helen Stephens for this gem from a Christ Church magazine dated December 2006/January 2007.

TIME FOR A SMILE - remarks by the late Ronald Reagan.

I am reminded of a favourite little story of mine about a career naval officer who finally got his four stripes, became a Captain, and then was given command of a giant battleship.

One night he was out, steaming around the Atlantic when he was called from his quarters to the bridge and told about a signal light in the distance. The Captain told the signalman, 'Signal them to bear to starboard'. Back came the signal from ahead asking - or saying - '**YOU** bear to starboard'. Well, as I say, the Captain was very aware that he was the commander of a battleship, the biggest thing afloat, the pride of the fleet, and he said 'Signal that light again to bear to starboard **NOW**'. And once again, back came the answer 'Bear to starboard yourself'.

Well, the Captain decided to give us unknown counterpart a lesson in sea-going humility; so he said 'Signal them again and tell them to bear to starboard. **I am a battleship**'.

And back came the signal 'Bear to starboard yourself. **I am a lighthouse**'.

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Please keep sending contributions for the magazine; they **do not have** to be religious. They do not have to be sent via the Internet; they can be hand-written and left at the back of the Church marked for the attention of Miranda or Muriel.

The magazine is only as good as the articles received. So far we have been very lucky in receiving so many interesting and varied articles. The cut-off date for the next magazine is 22nd July, 2016.

This month again Nicholas and I have had to proof-read the magazine; apologies for mistakes that we have missed.; as said last time we are no near as good as our usual proof-reader.

Groups and Activities

Chat and Craft Group

12 Park Terrace, Dbt 2.00 p.m. Monthly on Second Thursday

Contact person: Jane Greenwood 01556 611144

Hard of Hearing Group

Church Hall 10.00 a.m. - 12 noon

Contact person: Mrs Jenny Edkins 01556 611740

Dates for the Dalbeattie Drop-In Hard of Hearing Clinic in 2016

<u>Tuesday July 12th</u>	Tuesday October 11th	<u>Tea, coffee, biscuits and chat provided.</u>
Tuesday August 9th	Tuesday November 8th	
Tuesday September 13th	Tuesday December 13th	

House Groups (Ecumenical)

Islecroft House 10.30 a.m. – 12 noon First, third and Fifth Monday.

Contact person: Revd Beryl Scott 01556 610283

Strontian 1.45 p.m. First Tuesday in the month

Contact person: Mr Brian Woodburn 01556 610519

Struanlea 12 noon - 2.00 p.m. First Thursday in the month

Contact person: Mrs Edith Thorp 01556 610816

Julian Group (Ecumenical)

Savat 2.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Last Tuesday in the month

Contact person: Mrs Sue Thomas 01556 612863

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 24th August 3-5 p.m. the Chat & Craft Group will host a **Garden Tea** at the home of Muriel & Nicholas; Hestan Burn, Rockcliffe.

Wednesday, 7th September 3-5 p.m. Beryl Scott & her team will host a **Garden Tea** at her home Islecroft House, Dalbeattie.

Saturday, 29th October 10.00 a.m.-12 noon Christ Church Winter Bazaar at Dalbeattie Town Hall.

It has been agreed by the Vestry that in order to offset the cost of producing this magazine that we sell advertising space. We hope to have this up and running for the next magazine due out at the end of March.

For an advert size of approximately one-eighth of this page (the size of a business card; the cost will be £10.00 for the year. There are twelve magazines a year; all of which are uploaded onto the Church's website.

For more information contact Ron Newton 01556 611567

e-mail philipronaldnewton36@gmail.com

This space would cost £10 per annum.

Logos can be added.

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Who's Who at Christ Church

Priest-in-Charge	Revd Canon David Bayne	01556 503818
Honorary Assistant Priest	Revd Mark RS Smith	01387 760263
NSM	Revd Beryl Scott	01556 610283
Diocesan Reader Emeritus	Mr. Brian Woodburn	01556 610519
Lay Representative/ Munches Park Coordinator	Mrs. Edith Thorp	01556 610816
Alternate Lay Rep.	Mr Alfred Thorp	01556 610816
Honorary Musical Director & Organist	Mrs Maggie Kelt	
Honorary Secretary	Mrs Sue Thomas	01556 612863
Treasurer	Mr Mark Parry	
Gift Aid/Free Offering	Mr Alfred Thorp	01556 610816
Recorder (envelopes)		
Rector's Warden & Health & Safety Coordinator	Dr Keith Dennison	01556 630413
People's Warden	Mr. George Sims	01556 612069
Protection of Vulnerable Groups Co-ordinator	Mrs Helen Stephens	01556 610627
Vestry Members	Rector's Warden (Lay Chair)	01556 630413
	Lay Representative	01556 610816
	Alternate Lay Representative	01556 610816
	People's Warden	01556 612069
Constituent Vestry Members		
	Mrs Robin Charlton	01556 630265
	Mr Anthony Duncalf	01556 612322
	Mrs Llyn Glendinning	01556 610676
	Mr Ron Newton	01556 611567
	Mrs Helen Stephens	01556 610627
	Mrs Sue Thomas	01556 612863
Property Working Group: Canon David Bayne, Dr Keith Dennison, Mrs Sue Thomas and Mr Alfred Thorp		
Bible Reading Fellowship	Dr Keith Dennison	01556 630413
Brass & Vestry Cleaning Group	Mrs Robin Charlton	01556 630265
Church Flowers Coordinator	Mrs Julie Dennison	01556 630413
Gardening Coordinator	Mrs Julie Dennison	01556 630413
Hard of Hearing Clinic Coordinator	Mrs Jenny Edkins	01556 611740
Magazine Team	Mrs Miranda Brignall	01556 610409
	Mrs Muriel Palmer	01556 630314
Reader Coordinator	Mrs Julie Dennison	01556 630413

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