

Lent Breakfast

Sunday March 23rd at 9.30am

Come and enjoy bacon rolls and fresh coffee

CS Lewis School of Prayer

with Dr Sharon Jebb Smith

**Wednesdays: March 12th, 19th & 26th at 7.30 pm
in the Rectory**

'Letters to Malcolm' is CS Lewis's last book and is a very creative and honest look at different aspects of praying. If possible, please read chapters 1-4 before you come this Wednesday.
Books available from the church office or from Amazon

There will be a **Lent Lunch** following today's service.
Everyone is welcome to join in

THREE DAYS IN HOLY WEEK by Robert A. Gillies

A devotional book for Lent by Robert Gillies,
Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney.

Copies available from bishop@aberdeen.anglican.org
at discount price of £5, (normally £6.95)

Simply Worship

Sunday 23rd March at 7pm in Church

This is an opportunity to meet together simply
to worship God for about an hour.

The worship will be expressed in an informal style
and there will be opportunity for prayer and reflection also

Ceilidh

In aid of Simeon's New Lease of Life campaign
at Phoenix Community Centre, Newton Dee
on Saturday March 29th, 7pm–11pm

Tickets £15, to include stovies and
refreshments

For further details please see poster



Welcome to St Devenick's!



March 9th 2014
Holy Communion

Theme: There is no darkness in God

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness,
cleanse and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us
in all goodness, and bring us into the way that leads to life;
through him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Points

Please pray for:

1. Jim & Mary McLauchlan, Anne McQuillan and Jim & Cynthia Middleton
2. The young people who attended the Gorgeous event yesterday
3. The Mission to Seafarers
4. The situation in the Crimea

Prayer Ministry

If you would like prayer for yourself or anyone else, you are very
welcome to come to our Lady Chapel (to the left of the Chancel)
after the service, where someone will pray with you.

Visitors and newcomers are most welcome at **St Devenick's**.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served in the hall
after the 10.30am service.

We look forward to meeting you then!



Rector: Rev Paul R Watson

Mobile: 07552 177 690 Email: paulrobertwatson@gmail.com

Website: www.stdevenicks.org

Isaiah's commission

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: with two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. ³And they were calling to one another:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.’

⁴At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

⁵‘Woe to me!’ I cried. ‘I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.’

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷With it he touched my mouth and said, ‘See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.’

⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?’

And I said, ‘Here am I. Send me!’

Jesus is tested in the wilderness

¹Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²After fasting for forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³The tempter came to him and said, ‘If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.’

⁴Jesus answered, ‘It is written: “Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.”’

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the highest point of the temple. ⁶‘If you are the Son of God,’ he said, ‘throw yourself down. For it is written:

“He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.”

⁷Jesus answered him, ‘It is also written: “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.”’

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. ⁹‘All this I will give you,’ he said, ‘if you will bow down and worship me.’

¹⁰Jesus said to him, ‘Away from me, Satan! For it is written: “Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.”’

¹¹Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

March 2014

90% of world trade is carried by ships and 70% of our imports come by sea: fruit from the Caribbean, wine from South America; coal from South Africa; refined oils from European refineries; cars from eastern Europe and the Far East, container loads of household goods from China and clothes from Pakistan. These ships are crewed by men and women from eastern Europe, South and East Asia, Philippines and a host of less developed countries. The only time we come in contact with them is if we happen to meet a small uncertain group on Union Street or if we are fortunate enough to go on a cruise. But they are there - thousands of them, over the horizon where we don't see them. The conditions that most work in are nothing like those I and my contemporaries enjoyed in the European merchant fleets: low wages; nine or 12 month contracts with no guarantee of reemployment; small crews; crowded conditions onboard; terminals miles from the nearest town and in some countries they are not even allowed ashore - due to "security considerations".

That is why there are organisations like the Mission to Seafarers. The Mission is an Anglican based worldwide charity devoted to helping seafarers whenever and wherever they need it regardless of nationality, culture or faith. We care about the welfare of these foreign seafarers thousands of miles from home. The help we give varies widely: comforting the families of pirate hostages in south India; visiting crews of laid up ships off the Gulf Emirates via our unique floating Centre; operating over 100 Centres worldwide where crews can relax and get internet and phone access to contact their families back home; supporting chaplains and volunteers to provide help where it is needed. Here in Scotland our Chaplain Tim Tunley and his volunteers provide comfort on bereavements, have arranged hospital treatments, facilitate home contacts and often simply give the guys a run to the shops to avoid a two mile walk from the ship. Immediately after the Philippines typhoon last year we gave out phone cards so that Philippino seafarers could call their families. This year we will reopen the Seafarers Centre at Grangemouth where it is sorely needed and continue to establish Flying Angel support groups around the country.

The Vestry have kindly agreed to support the Mission to Seafarers as a Lent Appeal so we will be giving out collecting boxes for your small change over Lent as well as some gift aid envelopes if you wish to use them. We hope you can support the welfare of those men and women less affluent than ourselves, who keep our petrol stations, supermarket shelves, clothing stores and car showrooms stocked.

Thanks, Jim Middleton