
Dates for your diary

Meeting our mission partners:

Kathleen Wahl from Namibia will be visiting next weekend and speaking at our morning service on May 18th. Everyone is warmly invited to Ian and Ruth Arthur's house next Saturday evening (17th) from 7.00pm for coffee and dessert and the opportunity to meet up with Kathleen, and with Robert and Janet Maybank, who will also be visiting.

Child Action Lanka. Debbie Edrisinghe, who runs Child Action Lanka, will be here on Tuesday and Wednesday, 27th and 28th of May. There will be two opportunities to meet her and to hear more about the work of CAL: Tuesday, May 27th at 4pm at the home of Robin and Brenda Kay (386 North Deeside Road, Cults) and Wednesday, May 28th at 8pm in the Rectory.

CHURCH PICNIC - SUNDAY 8th JUNE, 12.30 – 3pm. Summer is just around the corner and this year Francesca and Stephan Mason have kindly invited us to their home to enjoy fellowship and a picnic in their garden. We will make our way to the Mason's house at 309 North Deeside Rd, Milltimber (last house on the left before the Milltimber Brae junction) straight after the service (there will be no coffee served after the service that day). Parking is available near the house and on North Deeside Rd but please double up with cars where possible. Items to bring: Fold-up chair or picnic rug, finger food to share, ie sandwiches, fruit, cakes, soft drinks. It will be a potluck picnic. Coffee, tea and water will be provided. All are welcome and we hope to have some games in the garden, weather permitting! There is plenty of flat lawn space for all, and afterwards those who want to can walk along the railway line for a cup of tea or coffee at the Peterculter Village Hall. If you would like a lift please speak to Ann Bale and this can easily be arranged.

Friday Friends Coffee Morning. Friday May 16th, 9.30—12.00. Drop into church for a cup of coffee and some homebaking, and the chance to relax and chat. Toys are available for young children and everybody is welcome.

Pentecost Sunday is June 8th this year.

Prayers in the Rectory. We meet together at 8.45am every Friday (in term time) for about 30 minutes to pray for our church and for the needs of those around us. Anyone is welcome to come along.

Young people and children

Sunday Club (3-10yrs) and **Youth Church** (11+ yrs) meet during the 10.30 service.

There is a **crèche** available in the church hall during the service and you are welcome to leave your 0-2 year old in good hands while you enjoy the service.

Mix and Junior Mix. These clubs run on Saturday evenings in term time. Junior Mix (6.00-7.30pm) is for ages 8-10 years and the Mix (7.30-9.00pm) is for 10+ years. The dates for the rest of this term are:

- 24th May Junior Mix and Mix
 - 14th June Junior Mix and Mix end-of-term party
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Rector: Rev Paul R Watson

Youth Pastor: Donna Kriel

Welcome

to St Devenick's Church

...especially if you are a visitor or newcomer! Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the 10.30am service and we look forward to meeting you then.



Our aim:

To know God and to make him known

Sunday May 11th 2014

Holy Communion

Theme: *'Handed over to the Jews'*

Prayer of the Week

Glory to you O Lord! You have triumphed over the powers of darkness and brought us to share in the inheritance of your saints in light. Raise us up to newness of life, that we may live to serve you, risen Lord, who with the Father and the life-giving Spirit are one God, world without end. Amen.

Prayer Ministry

If you would like prayer for yourself or for anyone else, you are very welcome to come to the Lady Chapel (the door is behind the pulpit at the side of the chancel) after the service, where someone will pray with you.

There are large print hymn books and service sheets available

Please take this notice sheet home as a reminder and for prayer.

CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, June 8th, 12.30—3.00pm
309 North Deeside Road, Milltimber

For more details, see page 4

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Exams. A prayer sheet is available as you leave with the exam times of our Youth Church members. Please take one so that you can pray for them at specific times during the coming weeks.

Friday Friends Coffee Morning. In May and June we will host a coffee morning on the **third** Friday of each month along with our usual one on the **first** Friday.

Hidden Heroes: A big thanks to Jim and Mary Maclauchlan who deliver the donations from the congregation to Cyrenians every month. If you would like to contribute, please place groceries/toiletries in the crate provided in the foyer.

Sermons. Sunday morning's sermon is usually available on the church website within a day or two. If you have missed the service and would like to catch up, just click on the link at the bottom of the homepage. Housegroups could also consider using sermons as a basis for discussion.

Northern Light. This is the Diocesan magazine and is a good way of finding out what is happening. Please take your copy as you are leaving today.

'Handed Over' sermon series. These five upcoming sermons are based on talks that Paul gave during Holy Week at Inverurie:

Today	<i>Handed over to the Jews</i>
May 18th	<i>Handed over to the Romans</i>
May 25th	<i>Handed over to the disciples</i>
June 15th	<i>Handed over to God</i>
June 22nd	<i>Handed over for us</i>

Donna writes: What you might not see....As you head to the hall for coffee after the service, try and picture that same space filled with 30 kids aged 8-11. That's what was happening in there on a recent Saturday night, beautiful chaos with the Junior Mix & Mix. We had a great time playing various games together and then a great discussion on Easter, why we celebrate it and what the story means for us today. During service on the Sunday, 7 of our youth (and one ex-youth) met in the rectory for a pancake breakfast, exam-focused prayer time and a discussion about 'hope'. It was then the church's turn to be filled with beautiful chaos in the afternoon with 25 kids and parents at Messy Church. Focusing on creation and the wonderful world God has made, we explored that theme through singing, and various fun crafts throughout the afternoon. That's 63 children and young people, aged 1-18, involved in our church over one weekend!

"And so we grew up, knowing only a God who enjoyed our presence as we skipped, ran and played through this building which was built for His glory." Corrie Ten Boom.

Message for the week:

Forty times in the Bible God calls us to look after widows, orphans and foreigners. The first two categories may seem obvious, but the last was given 'so that you may remember that you too were in exile once in Egypt'. It is easy for us in our security to forget what it is like to be displaced, to have no sense of home, to be a stranger. If you have a chance, make a small attempt to soften the edge of another's loneliness and don't get too comfortable, for as Christians our home here is only temporary.

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Rob and Anne Cooper; Maureen Dallard; Helen Davidson and Elliott
 2. Our Sunday Club teachers: Elizabeth, Helen, Heulwen, June, Mary and Theresa
 3. Alpha Course members meeting for Bible study tomorrow night
 4. The return of the schoolgirls kidnapped in Nigeria
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Next Sunday

Leading	Julia House
Preaching	Kathleen Wahl
Intercessions	Ruth Arthur
Reading	Mark Beecroft
Readings	Acts 7: 55-60 Matthew 27: 11-31
Welcome	Sharon Smith
Offering	Frank Dirr Jim Middleton
Coffee	Pat James Ruth Arthur
Prayer Ministry	Kathleen Simpson Christel Stripe
Sound	Stuart Bale
Flowers	Theresa Marwick

Monthly pattern of services at St Devenick's

1 st Sunday	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Family Service
2 nd Sunday	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion
3 rd Sunday	8.30am 10.30am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Morning Worship Messy Church
4 th Sunday	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion
5 th Sunday	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Morning Worship

Each Thursday at 10.30am:
Each Friday at 8.45am:

Holy Communion
Prayers in the Rectory

Housegroups meet during the week on various days. Being in a housegroup is a good way to enjoy getting to know others in the church, and to have an opportunity to study the Bible and learn together. They are open to everybody. If you are interested in joining a housegroup, please see Cissy Dirr or Paul.

The Church Office (01224 863574) will be staffed on Tuesday and Thursday, late morning to mid afternoon. Email is checked daily. Messages left on the answer machine will be responded to as soon as possible. Items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed (**office@stdevenicks.org**) to the office by 9.00am on Thursday.

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