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## About Us

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**Sunday Club** (3-10yrs) and **Youth Church** (11yrs+) 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 0-3 year old in good hands while you enjoy the service.

**Mix and Junior Mix** These clubs run on Saturday evenings in termtime.

**Junior Mix** (6.00-7.30pm) is for ages 8-10.

**The Mix** (7.30-9.00pm) is for 10+ years.

**The Prayer Network** is a group of St Devenick's folk committed to pray confidentially for people and issues as required. If a prayer need arises, let one of us know and we will then pass on the request, in a brief message, to the team.

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# 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.



## Sunday November 8th

### *Remembrance*

### Holy Communion

(Third Sunday before Advent)



### Leading

Rob Cooper



### Preaching

Paul Watson

### Readings

Jonah 3: 10 to 4: 4,11

James 3: 1-2,13-18

Matthew 7: 1-12

### *Thought for the week:*

Many and sharp the num'rous ills  
Inwoven with our frame!  
More pointed still we make ourselves  
Regret, remorse, and shame!  
And man, whose heav'n-erected face  
The smiles of love adorn, -  
Man's inhumanity to man  
Makes countless thousands mourn!

*Robert Burns*

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## Prayer of the Week

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*Lord, you have called us to know you,  
you have called us to love you,  
you have called us to serve you,  
you have called us to proclaim you:  
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,  
make us worthy of our calling,  
that we may live to your praise and glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive  
and reigns with you and the same Spirit,  
one God for ever. Amen.*

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## News

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### FISH AND CHIP SUPPER

followed by table games.

Friday, November 13th at 6.30pm. This is a chance for everyone in St Devenick's, old, young or in between, to enjoy an evening together. Everybody welcome!



**WORK PARTY** You are invited to come along to the first Work Party at 1.30pm this coming Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Bring your tool box and/or garden tools, and if you have any queries, contact Meyrick or Jim in advance.

**CONVERSATIONS** in 'Listening together about same sex relationships: Exploring living with difference.' On Wednesday, November 25th 7pm-9pm at St Ternan's, Banchory. The Deeside Episcopal churches from Bielside to Ballater are offering a chance for our congregations to listen and discuss these important issues. A briefing letter is available at the back of church with more information.

**COFFEE ROTA** We are getting short of volunteers to be on the coffee rota. Please speak to Cynthia Middleton if you are willing to help.

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**CHRISTMAS CHOIR** If you are interested in taking part in a 'pop-up' Christmas choir for our carol service on December 20th, please speak to Helen Goodyear.



**TEA STATION** Have a look, on your way out, at the new tea station which has been installed at the back of church. We hope the plumbing will be finished very soon and we will be able to make use of it for having tea and coffee in church.

**VESTRY MEMBERS** Two Vestry members are needed to stand for a three year term at our AGM in December. Please prayerfully consider whether you, or someone else, could be called to this important role in the life of our church. People's Warden and Lay Representative posts are also reviewed annually. Nomination forms will be available from November 8th.

**BEACH CLEAN** There will be a beach clean and survey on Saturday, November 28th from 10.00am for a couple of hours. Volunteer to help your local environment! Meet at the public car park north of the mouth of the River Don.

**A YOUTH & CHILDREN'S WORK** newsletter is available as you are leaving church today.

**VESTRY MEETS NEXT ON NOVEMBER 19TH** Church members should inform the People's Warden (Helen Goodyear) of any item they wish to be raised at Vestry.

**CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR** We are looking for someone to replace Valerie Holehouse from the new year. This is an expanded role which includes running the church office but also managing the property of the church and being involved in strategic planning and publicity. 12 hours per week. Please contact Valerie for more details.

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**SERMONS** Sunday morning's sermon is available on the church website. Just click on the link at the bottom of the homepage. [www.stdevenicks.org](http://www.stdevenicks.org)

**CRÈCHE AND FLOWER TEAMS** The numbers on these teams are diminishing. Can you help? Please contact Liz Barnett (crèche) or Midge Harbottle (flowers).

**HOUSEGROUPS** There are several housegroups in St Devenick's that meet at various times of the day and week. If you would like to join one please speak to Paul.

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## Notes

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## Prayer points:

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Please pray for:-

1. Margaret Cook; Rob and Anne Cooper; Maureen Dallard.
  2. the family of Bailey Gwynne and the staff and pupils of Cults Academy.
  3. a steady recovery for Paul, our rector, in the coming weeks.
  4. the wedding of Becky and Norman on Friday
  5. Members of NATO forces in Afghanistan and on active duty elsewhere.
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**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. Everybody is welcome.

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### Next Sunday - 15th November Morning Worship (Choosing Well)

Leading:	Mark Beecroft
Preaching:	Sharon Smith
Reader:	Pat James
Intercessions:	Rob Cooper
Welcome:	TBA
Offering:	John Tickell & John Tan
Prayer min:	Cissy Dirr & Ruth Arthur
Sound:	Simon Barnett
Coffee:	Anne Scragg Cynthia Middleton
Flowers:	Lorna Sim
Creche:	Meyrick Hadfield Pat Skidmore

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### The Church Office is staffed on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Emails and phone messages received in the office will be checked regularly and will be responded to as soon as possible. Items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed to the office by 9.00am on Thursday (subject:: Notice sheet).

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**Large print hymn books and service sheets are available**

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## Jonah 3: 10 to 4: 4, 11

<sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

**4** But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup> He prayed to the LORD, 'Isn't this what I said, LORD, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. <sup>3</sup> Now, LORD, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live.'

<sup>4</sup> But the LORD replied, 'Is it right for you to be angry?'

<sup>11</sup> And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left – and also many animals?'

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## James 3: 1-2, 13-18

<sup>1</sup> Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. <sup>2</sup> We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

<sup>13</sup> Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. <sup>14</sup> But if you harbour bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. <sup>15</sup> Such 'wisdom' does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup> For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup> Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

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**Thanks be to God.**

## Matthew 7: 1-12

*When the Gospel is announced:*

**Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

<sup>1</sup> 'Do not judge, or you too will be judged. <sup>2</sup> For in the same way as you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

<sup>3</sup> 'Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup> How can you say to your brother, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? <sup>5</sup> You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

<sup>6</sup> 'Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

<sup>7</sup> 'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>9</sup> 'Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? <sup>11</sup> If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! <sup>12</sup> So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

*Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.*

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

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