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<sup>28</sup> 'And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin.

<sup>29</sup> Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" <sup>32</sup> For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup> Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

*Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.*  
**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

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## Notes

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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.



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## Sunday October 25th

### Holy Communion

(Pentecost 22)

## 'Living Well'

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### Leading

June MacCormack

### Preaching

Paul Watson

### Readings

Exodus 16: 11-24

Acts 4: 32-37

Matthew 6: 25-34

### *Thought for the week:*

Jesus was able to live totally in the present, giving attention totally to the present task, celebrating the goodness of God here and now. If that's not a recipe for happiness I don't know what is.

*(Tom Wright)*

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## Prayer of the Week

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*Lord, open our eyes to your presence. Grant us a vision to see what we can achieve: as your love touches us may we reach out to others. Lord, stretch our capabilities, extend our vision and increase our sense of purpose, that we may grow in our service of you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, are one God for ever. Amen.*

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## News

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### WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN...

All Saints day, 1st Nov, 7pm-8pm here at St Devenick's. An evening of contemporary music and worship to celebrate the lives of ordinary saints (including those friends who have influenced us) with joy and thanksgiving, led by a totally fantastic band. Great coffee afterwards!

### FISH AND CHIP SUPPER

followed by table games.  
Friday, November 13th.  
Everybody welcome!



**MESSY CHURCH** The next Messy Church is on this afternoon, 3.30 to 5.00pm.

**PARENTING COURSE** Here at St Devenick's. Six Monday mornings, Nov 2nd—Dec 7th. A crèche is available. Please pick up a flyer at the back of church, or speak to Janet Maybank for more details.

**WOMEN TOGETHER** We next meet together this Friday, October 30th for a cinema trip to see **Suffragettes**. All women of any age are welcome. Let Ina know by Monday on 07854562210 if you are coming.

**HANS AND WAI LENG MANN** will be with us at the service next Sunday morning.

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**CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR** We are looking for someone to replace Valerie Holehouse from the beginning of January. 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.

**MAINTENANCE WORK GROUP** We are recruiting a team to turn up monthly to take care of required maintenance (minor repairs, outside jobs, etc). All volunteers welcome—skilled or unskilled, just willingness is required. Contact Jim or Meyrick for further details.

**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.

**DEMENTIA AWARENESS TRAINING** If you are interested in undertaking some training in dementia awareness, please speak to Paul.

**VESTRY MEMBERS** Two Vestry members are needed for a three year term to replace George Smith and Julia House 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. Nomination forms to follow.

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

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## About Us

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### **Rector**

**Revd Paul R Watson**

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Day off: Saturday

### **Young people and children**

**Youth Pastor: Donna Kriel**

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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.

### **Key contacts:**

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## Prayer points:

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Please pray for:-

1. Kathleen Bevan; Mark and Heulwen, David and Peter Beecroft; Evelyn and Eric Birse
2. Christel Stripe and David after the loss of David's mother.
3. the work of St Paul's Kandy, especially the work we support among the poor of the town.
4. Christians in the Middle East, especially in Syria, Iraq and Palestine.

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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 - 1st November Family Service**

Leading: Donna Kriel

Preaching: Paul Watson

Reader:

Intercessions:

Welcome: Lorna Sim

Offering: Frank Dirr

Jim Middleton

Prayer min: Rob Cooper

Sound: Alan Stokes

Coffee: Ina Watson

Elizabeth McAlpine

Flowers: Wendy Ratcliffe

Creche: Anne Cooper

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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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## Exodus 16: 11-24

<sup>11</sup> The LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup> 'I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, "At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.'"

<sup>13</sup> That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup> When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. <sup>15</sup> When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, 'It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup> This is what the LORD has commanded: "Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.'"

<sup>17</sup> The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. <sup>18</sup> And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

<sup>19</sup> Then Moses said to them, 'No one is to keep any of it until morning.'

<sup>20</sup> However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell. So Moses was angry with them.

<sup>21</sup> Each morning everyone gathered as much as they needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away. <sup>22</sup> On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much – two omers for each person – and the leaders of the community came and reported this to Moses. <sup>23</sup> He said to them, 'This is what the LORD commanded: "Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the LORD. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.'"

<sup>24</sup> So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Acts 4:32-37

<sup>32</sup> All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. <sup>33</sup> With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all <sup>34</sup> that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales <sup>35</sup> and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

<sup>36</sup> Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'), <sup>37</sup> sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Matthew 6: 25-34

*When the Gospel is announced:*

**Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

<sup>25</sup> 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? <sup>27</sup> Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

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