

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.



31st January 2016

Morning Worship

'Hallowed be your name'

Leading: Mark Beecroft

Preaching: John Lonsdale

Readings: Helen Goodyear

Intercessions: Janet Maybank

Thought for the week:

The "with God" life is not a life of more religious activities or devotions or trying to be good. It is a life of inner peace and contentment for your soul with the maker and manager of the universe.

John Ortberg, *Soul Keeping*

Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, you give gifts to all your people: you give us the power and ability to do what you would have us do. Help us to use the gifts you have given us for the benefit of others and for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

News

MEETING GOD IN THE EVERY DAY

A pre-Lent retreat day here at St Devenick's on Saturday, 6th February from 10.00am to 3.00pm.

- ***How God speaks.***
- ***What stops us hearing him?***
- ***How to read the Bible.***
- ***How to pray.***

It will be led by Paul Watson and John Walker (St Mary's Inverurie). It is principally for St Devenick's but will be open to anyone in the diocese. Tea and coffee are provided and soup will be given for lunch but bring your own sandwiches. Arrive from 9.30am as the first session starts at 10. More information on the flyer at the back of church.

THE GOD PARTICLE A play in one act at St Ternan's, Banchory on Sunday 21st February at 5pm, with a light supper to follow. Fresh from the Edinburgh Fringe and on tour around the UK this spring, this is a light-hearted but serious-minded play about faith, evidence, science and the importance of keeping an open mind. No charge but reservations suggested and donations accepted. For information or to reserve a seat, contact Lisa Eunson on 01330 822783 or lisa.eunson@gmail.com.

MESSY CHURCH is on the third Sunday of the month, 3.30—5.00pm



BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL Leaflets are available at the back of church about the Langham Partnership, which equips and resources church leaders in the 'two thirds' world. It provides a very strategic and influential support to the world church in places where books and training for pastors are very scarce.

MAINTENANCE WORKING PARTY on the third Friday of each month at 1.30pm (next one on Feb 19th). Anybody is welcome to come along and help. Please see Jim Middleton or Meyrick Hadfield for more information.

OASIS There will be no Oasis on 7th Feb as the Retreat Day is on the previous day.

DEBBIE NEILL EXHIBITION There will be an exhibition of Debbie's work and some of close artist friends at Milton Gallery, Milton of Crathes. 23rd January to 28th February. Monday to Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm, Sundays 11.00am to 5.00pm.

FRIDAY FRIENDS COFFEE MORNING This coming Friday, February 5th. 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.

ASH WEDNESDAY There will be Holy Communion services at 10.30am and 7.30pm on Ash Wednesday, February 10th. There will be no 10.30am service on Thursday 11th February.

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

Isaiah 6: 1-7

6 In 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. ² Above 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. ³ And they were calling to one another:

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

⁴ At 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.’

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

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

1 John 1: 5-10

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

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Matthew 23: 23-28

²³ ‘Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices – mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law – justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practised the latter, without neglecting the former. ²⁴ You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel.

²⁵ ‘Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. ²⁶ Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.

²⁷ ‘Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. ²⁸ In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.

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UPDATE FROM
SEND A COW



You will remember that we raised over £1400 at Harvest for Send a Cow. The UK government matched all funds raised between October and December, which included our own contribution. At the last count Send a Cow have raised an extraordinary £1.15m pounds which, when matched by the government, means £2.3m to ensure over 200,000 of Africa’s poorest people will have the hope and the means to thrive. They send their sincere thanks to everyone who made a donation during that period.

News continued

WOMEN TOGETHER We meet next on Friday 12th February evening in the Rectory. All women of any age are welcome. Contact Ina for more details.

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.

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

ROTAS You can find the rotas for all the various tasks in the life of the church on the website. Click on 'Services,' select 'Rotas' from the dropdown menu and use the password when prompted. If you would like to be reminded of the password, please speak to Jennifer.

Notes

Large print hymn books and service sheets are available

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Joan Noble; Barbara Norris and the family; Kennedy Nwokonta, Danile and Oscar.
 2. Young people preparing for exams and making important choices.
 3. The participants and leaders of the Alpha Course.
 4. Those still affected by storms and floods.
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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.

Next Sunday - 7th February

Leading:	Bex Collins
Preaching:	Rob Cooper
Reader:	TBA
Intercessions:	TBA
Welcome:	Anne Cooper
Offering:	Steve Holehouse Chris Rigden
Prayer min:	Rob Cooper TBA
Sound:	Iain House
Coffee:	Mary Rigden Elizabeth Phull
Creche:	Elizabeth Phull Nancy Manning
Flowers:	Margaret Hadley

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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