
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.



21st February 2016

Morning Worship

***'Give us today
our daily bread'***

Leading: Rob Cooper

Preaching: Stephen Goodyear

Thought for the week:

When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the alien. I am the Lord your God.

Leviticus 19: 9-10

Prayer of the Week

Holy God, as you have called us, make us holy. Shield us from all that is evil and destructive, protect us in body and in soul; extend our vision of our purpose and journey, that we may know we are your people and citizens of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

News

FAREWELL!

to Steve and Valerie Holehouse, who are moving to Edinburgh. Their new address is in the church address book. Steve and Valerie, thanks for all you have contributed during your time with us. Our love and prayers go with you both.

MESSY CHURCH is on this afternoon,
3.30—5.00pm



LENT LUNCH Our Lent Lunch this year will be next Sunday, **February 28th**, following the 10.30 service. Everyone is welcome to come, and there is no charge, but donations are welcome to the Bishop's Lent Appeal, 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. Leaflets are available at the back of church. Please see Helen Goodyear if you can help with providing food or with practical support on the day.

THE GOD PARTICLE A play in one act at St Ternan's, Banchory on **this afternoon 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.

IONA TRIP St Mary's Inverurie have been fortunate to secure a 4 night booking at the Bishop's House, Iona, **arriving 23 May and departing 27 May 2017**. The cost is £80 per night. For further information, please contact Mary-Clare Watkins at St Mary's Inverurie on 01467 670701 or smcinverurie@btinternet.com

SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS:

NEW TESTAMENT SOURCES. Wednesday, **2nd March at 7.30pm** (not 7.00pm as stated in the term card). Paul presents the view from both sides of this topical issue. His talk will be followed by a Q&A session and an opportunity for comments. This is the second in a two-part series—copies of Paul's talk on Old Testament sources from last Wednesday are available as you leave church this morning.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Our local service is at Blairs Chapel on the South Deeside Road on **Friday, 4th March at 2.00pm**. Do please come along and support Lorna and June who will be taking part. We have been advised to wrap up warmly as the chapel is huge. There will be a welcome cup of tea after the service, which lasts about an hour.

OASIS Sunday, 6th March, 7.00-8.00pm

SOCIAL EVENING There will be a church social evening on Friday 11th March. Details to follow.

Nehemiah 9: 16-21

¹⁶ 'But they, our ancestors, became arrogant and stiff-necked, and they did not obey your commands. ¹⁷ They refused to listen and failed to remember the miracles you performed among them. They became stiff-necked and in their rebellion appointed a leader in order to return to their slavery. But you are a forgiving God, gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. Therefore you did not desert them, ¹⁸ even when they cast for themselves an image of a calf and said, "This is your god, who brought you up out of Egypt," or when they committed awful blasphemies.

¹⁹ 'Because of your great compassion you did not abandon them in the wilderness. By day the pillar of cloud did not fail to guide them on their path, nor the pillar of fire by night to shine on the way they were to take. ²⁰ You gave your good Spirit to instruct them. You did not withhold your manna from their mouths, and you gave them water for their thirst. ²¹ For forty years you sustained them in the wilderness; they lacked nothing, their clothes did not wear out nor did their feet become swollen.

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

1 Timothy 6: 6-10

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹ Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

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Matthew 14: 13-21

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were ill.

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so that they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.'

¹⁶ Jesus replied, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'

¹⁷ 'We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,' they answered.

¹⁸ 'Bring them here to me,' he said. ¹⁹ And he told the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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Notes

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MAINTENANCE WORKING PARTY on the **third Friday of each month at 1.30pm.**

Anybody is welcome to come along and help. Please see Jim Middleton or Meyrick Hadfield for more information.

FRIDAY FRIENDS COFFEE MORNING First Friday of the month, **9.30am-12 noon.** 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.

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

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.

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

Large print hymn books and service sheets are available

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Marjorie Roadnight; Jilly Mary Robinson; Elaine and Megan Runciman.
2. Rena, Brenda and Robin Kay's daughter-in-law, who is very sick.
3. Preparations for Diocesan Synod.
4. Those who live with just enough food for one day at a time.
5. The ongoing negotiations with Europe.

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 - 21st February

Leading: Ian Arthur
Preaching: Paul Watson
Reader: Jill Kirkham
Intercessions: Ruth Arthur
Welcome: Pat James
Offering: Chris Rigden
TBA
Prayer min: Kathleen Simpson
John Lonsdale
Sound: Simon Barnett
Coffee: Lent Lunch

Creche: Anne Cooper
Valerie Holehouse
Flowers: No flowers

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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