

# DUNLOP DIARY

November  
2024



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## Dear friends & neighbours,

The church and the village are a lot quieter now that the film people have gone. It was really interesting to watch all their activities, and I simply hadn't realised before just how many different people are involved in making a television series, each with their own very distinctive role to play whether in front of or behind the cameras. Now we have to wait patiently to see Dunlop aka Cold Water on our screens later next year.

There's always something going on in Dunlop and posters are starting to appear advertising various festive events.

But before we get caught up in our Christmas celebrations we take time to

pause, reflect and remember those lives lost or forever changed by warfare and conflict.

This year Remembrance Sunday is on 10th November and our Church Service of Remembrance will, as is our local tradition, be followed by a simple outdoor service when wreaths will be laid at the War Memorial.

On Saturday, 9th November, our Messy Church activities will focus on remembrance - we'll gather at the church at 4pm then spend some time tidying up around the War Memorial, before returning to the church for poppy crafts and activities, and some food together.

All are welcome to join us!

May blessings of peace and hope be yours,

Alison

**Rev Alison McBrier, Minister**

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### Dunlop Kirk Harvest Service

Thank you to all in the community who donated to our Harvest Service.

We distributed over 50 gifts and Stewarton Food Bank were delighted with the many bags of food and toiletries.

Margo McMurdo, Session Clerk

### Dunlop Kirk Services

Sunday Morning Worship,  
11.30am in the church

Our Sunday worship is also available online through the Dunlop Church Facebook page and the Church website (<https://dunlopkirk.org.uk>), or our YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@dunlopchurchofscotland4062/streams>).

We also run a Zoom session on Sunday mornings — letting us have a chat and watch the service together.

All welcome

### Dunlop and Caldwell, Exploring the Bible

Tuesdays, 10.30am via Zoom

If you want any information on the above, or would like to join our email information list, please email Margo: [contact@dunlopkirk.org.uk](mailto:contact@dunlopkirk.org.uk)

### Tuesday Coffee, Tea and a Chat

On Tuesdays from 10 – 11.30am, we invite you to join us for our weekly morning coffee, tea, biscuits and chat in the Church Hall - all welcome!

### Dunlop & Caldwell Churches: Dates for Your Diary

**Remembrance Sunday, 10th November**  
Remembrance Service -  
11:30am in Dunlop Kirk and 12:30pm at the War Memorial in Dunlop Cemetery.

**Annual Christingle Service at Dunlop Kirk**  
Monday, 2nd December starting at 6pm,  
followed by Procession of Light  
and switch-on of Christmas Lights at  
Dunlop Church Hall

All welcome!

# Church Flowers & Readers

## Welcome Team

November	December
Mike Blyth	Jimmy Howie
Carolyn Blyth	Marilyn Bell
David Clement	John Campbell
Isabel Kerr	Alison Howie
Mitchell Wilson	Andrew Pinkerton
Charlotte McGuiness	Simon Gill
	Debbie Gill

Readers	Flowers
November	November
3rd Charlotte McGuiness	3rd Elizabeth Garrity
10th Mike Blyth	10th Carolyn Blyth
17th Beverly Kirk	17th Lesley Beaton
24th Alison Howie	24th Margaret Gibson & Emily
December	December
1st Christine Wallace	1st Christine Wallace
8th Maxine Buck	8th Anne Young
15th Elizabeth Garrity	15th Beverly Kirk
22nd Brian McGaw	22nd Dorothy Brown
29th Greer Thomson	29th Kirsteen Hare



## Caldwell Column

Caldwell Church, Neilston Road, Uplawmoor, G78 4AF  
Churches in Union - Caldwell and Dunlop Parish Church

### Sunday Service...

Church service time is as usual from 10am. All are welcome to join us for Tea and Coffee after the service. Donations for Barrhead Food Bank welcome.

Our Remembrance Service will be held on Sunday 10th November. Please join us as we come together to remember those who have died, to pray for peace and to find comfort and hope in Jesus Christ.

### Soup and Sandwich Lunches, Fridays, 12-1.30pm, Church Hall...

Everyone is welcome to enjoy a warming bowl of soup and tasty sandwiches, chat and catch-up.

### Date for your Diary...

**Brunch for Erskine Hospital**, Saturday 9th November, 10am – 12:30pm in the church hall. Enjoy a variety of breakfast rolls, Tea/Coffee, and Cakes. There will be a baking stall and Erskine Christmas cards on sale. All proceeds, including those raised from the 'Help us to Help Erskine' Quiz, going to Erskine Hospital. £6 per adult/£3 per child.

### Ongoing Activities...

**Seniors Group** meets every Tuesday morning in the Church Hall from 10.30-12noon for fellowship, lively debate, catch-up, coffee and biscuits.

**Bible Exploration Group** meet online between 10.30 and 11.30am on Tuesdays for analysis and discussion of selected bible passages and themes.

**The Mobile Library of Christian Faith and Practice** is free to use, details from [paulandcathie@gmail.com](mailto:paulandcathie@gmail.com)

**The Motor Bike Club** meets on the first Monday of the month from 7-9pm.

Contact John: 0141 881 6553

**The Community Choir** meets on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. New members are welcome – no previous experience necessary.

Contact Lynne: 07710 633416

### Looking Forward...

**Christmas Card Delivery Service**

**Messy Church Cinema Party**  
Saturday 14th Dec, Dunlop Village Hall

## **Dunlop and Lugton Senior Citizens Association**

Our annual Christmas Lunch will be held on Thursday 5th December in the village hall with lunch being served at 12:30. The Committee are still finalising the details but tickets will be on sale soon and posters will be up in the usual locations within the village.

Please put the date in your diary/calendar and we look forward to seeing you all again for another enjoyable day.

**Margaret True, President**

## **Dunlop Musical Memories**

*We meet in Dunlop Church Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 2-4pm.*

*All are welcome to come and enjoy an afternoon of song and chat with delicious home baking.*

*Our next meeting is on Wednesday 13th November, followed by a special festive one with lots of surprises on Wednesday 11th December. We do not meet in January as weather conditions are often too hazardous.*

## **DUNLOP S.W.I.**

**Wednesday, 20th  
November, 2pm, Dunlop Church Hall**

**AGM @ 2pm**

**Speaker:**  
Christine Kyle  
**Topic:**  
Crafty Afternoon

**Competitions:**  
Favourite Cup on Saucer  
Favourite Paperweight

## **St John Scotland Ayrshire and Arran**

The above is holding its annual coffee morning in St Columba's Church Hall in Stewarton to raise funds for life-saving public access defibrillators for local communities..

**Date:** Saturday 16th November

**Time:** 10am – 12 noon

This has always been a very popular event, and this year will be no exception. Tickets are £4 each which includes a selection of delicious home baking. Admission for children is free when accompanied by an adult.

There will be a wide variety of stalls and attractions for you to enjoy including home-baking, jams and chutneys, plants and the St John Scotland volunteers.

For tickets or for further information please contact Volunteers and Events Lead, Janice Granger:  
[janice.granger@stjohnscotland.org.uk](mailto:janice.granger@stjohnscotland.org.uk)



## **Dunlop Bowling Club**

Dunlop Bowling Club members are reminded our AGM will be on Tuesday 26th November at 7pm.

Our Winter Events are in full flow with a Race Night on 9th November and a Family Hogmanay Disco on 31st December. Tickets available from our Facebook page or from our bar.

We also have Family Prize Bingo being held on 2nd and 16th November and 7th and 14th December at 2pm. The 14th December will be our very popular Christmas Bingo.

Please consider Dunlop Bowling Club for any private functions. We look forward to making many grant funded improvements to the Club over the coming months.

Please contact Scott Gibson at [SecretaryDBC@hotmail.com](mailto:SecretaryDBC@hotmail.com) with any questions.

**Cards for Christmas**  
Our beautiful cards, featuring two of the most stunning stained glass windows in the church, are available with or without a Christmas insert.  
**Special price £1 each**

**Stained Glass Booklet**  
With its fascinating details about all the windows, it makes a lovely gift. Easily wrapped and easily posted.  
**£5 per copy**

For sale in the church  
or contact  
Carolyn 01560 484846  
Sheila 01560 480919

## Dunlop Gallery

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The gallery is currently displaying artworks by Jenny Brown, who specialises in Scottish seascapes and beaches.

The pictures will stay on display until Wednesday 13th November when the next exhibition will start. This will be a joint exhibition including work by several local artists and the open evening will be on Friday 15th November, 7–9pm.

Opening nights are always a lovely opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours, enjoy a glass of wine and view the paintings so please make a note in your diary to join us for the opening night. If you wish to buy any of the paintings displayed, please call **Shiona on 07506 951620** or **Aileen on 07748 626712**.

The Dunlop and Lugton Calendar will soon be on sale at the Post Office and at the Craft Fair on the 1st of November, and remember to take lots of photos for next year's photo competition and calendar - the theme is "windows", so get those cameras ready to snap some beautiful autumnal window scenes.

## Dunlop Community Cinema

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*Well, we couldn't have chosen two more different films for your viewing pleasure ...*

### **All of us strangers (15)**

*Film Club, Friday, 8th November, 7:30pm*

Andrew Scott, Paul Mescal, Claire Foy and Jamie Bell star in this drama about grief, identity, loneliness and love: 'it's a remarkable achievement – a raw and potent piece of storytelling that grabs you by the heart and doesn't let go'.

### **Swede Caroline (15)**

*Friday, 22nd November, 7:30pm*

Competitive vegetable growers

investigate the theft of prize marrow plants and uncover a tangled conspiracy in this witty, good-natured mockumentary:

'A joyous gem of a film! A wonderful cast take you on a hilarious and heart-warming journey in this most British of British comedies.'

**Tickets:** [ticketebo.co.uk/dunlopcc](http://ticketebo.co.uk/dunlopcc).

Please email us at [dunlopcinema@outlook.com](mailto:dunlopcinema@outlook.com) if you would like to be added to our mailing list, or if you have any difficulty booking online.

### **Questionnaire**

We would also love to hear your views about the cinema, and we have produced a questionnaire with this in mind. There will be paper copies available at Norman's, the Post Office and the Village hall, and also an online version available via this QR code:



Looking forward to hearing from you!

## **Christmas Messy Church Cinema**

*14th December 3:30pm,  
Dunlop Village Hall.*

**All welcome.**

**Children must bring an adult!**



The poster features a decorative border of poppies. It contains the following text: 'Messy Church Remembers' with a logo on the left and 'CALDWELL & DUNLOP PARISH CHURCH' with a logo on the right. The main text reads: 'Dunlop Kirk Saturday, 9th November 4-6pm'. Below this, it says: 'Join us as we tidy up around the War Memorial, before spending time in the Kirk on remembrance-themed activities and food and friendship.'

## **Dunlop Diary Submissions**

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Do you have something to feature in the next edition of the Dunlop Diary?

The deadline for submissions to the December Diary is Monday 18th November. Send them to [dunlopdialry@gmail.com](mailto:dunlopdialry@gmail.com)