

#### From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

**November 2019** 

Dear friends and neighbours,

Hallowe'en is behind us, Advent, Christmas and a General Election are before us! The nights are getting longer and we long for light in the darkness.

Over the past couple of years we've welcomed Advent by carrying light from the Church to our Nativity scene and Christmas trees in the centre of the village. Together we have made our Christingles, which have lit our way to song, celebration and festive food and drink at the Church Hall.

This year, we will bring light to the darkness in a different way! We are going to celebrate our first Christmas Tree Service, at which different groups and organisations will light up trees which they have decorated to the theme of a particular Christmas Carol or song. The trees will stay in the Church for us to enjoy and admire as we wait through Advent, preparing for Christmas.

Our Christmas Tree Service will be held at 6.30pm on Monday, 2nd December and will be followed at about 7pm by our

Procession of Light. Look out for more information on Facebook and posters around Dunlop and Lugton.

All are welcome to join in this special celebration and I look forward to seeing you there!

Peace and light,

Alison

## **Dunlop Kirk – Services and Events**

All warmly welcomed

Sunday Morning Worship - 11.30 am

Sunday Crèche – 11.30 am Sunday School – 11.30 am

Exploring the Bible, Tuesdays in Caldwell Vestry 10.30am



## **Remembrance Sunday 10th November 2019**

Remembrance Service - 11:30am in church and 12:30 at the War Memorial.

Safeguarding Training: update for volunteers

Sunday 15th December 2019

14.00-17.00 Venue: tba

If you are able to attend, please speak to Jess Duncan on 01560 484050

#### CHURCH ROTAS **November December Date Flowers** Readers Sandy Hutchison Annette Brown Lynn Davidson Elizabeth Garrity Nov 3rd Janice McGregor Mike Blyth Jess Duncan Jennifer Hunter 10th Andrew Howie Netta Howie Irene Kerr Brian McGaw 17th Brian McGaw Morag McNaught David Mitchell Margaret Robb Roy Wyllie Anne Sinclair 24th Roy Wyllie Margaret & Emily Sheila Wyllie Dec 1st Betty Robertson Anne Sinclair 8th Jess Duncan Simon Gill Wednesday coffee will finish on 15th Aileen Howie Alison Howie Wednesday 27th November and restart on Wednesday 5th February 22nd Ann Howatson June Minery **GUILD** 29th Dorothy Brown Elizabeth Graham

#### **Deaths**

Mrs Nellie Nisbet October 2019

"Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted"

19th John Knox Interguild with Alan Garrity

Welcome Teams

Sat 23rd COFFEE MORNING

#### **DECEMBER**

3rd Edible Novelties
Margaret Paterson

All welcome

#### Dunlop Primary School Coffee Morning is on Saturday 7th December from 10am to 1pm.

Come along and visit Santa, browse our stalls and enjoy the choir with a cup of tea and some delicious home baking. If you buy some raffle tickets you may even go home with a prize. £2 per adult and £1 per

**Dunlop and Lugton Senior Citizens Association's annual Christmas Lunch** will be held on Thursday 5th December 2019 in the Community Hall 12 noon for a 12.30 pm start.

Dunlop School Choir will once again entertain guests and Bertha and her staff from Struther Farmhouse will be providing the catering. Tickets will be on sale during November with a closing date for numbers of Friday 22 November. The Committee look forward to welcoming you on the day.



#### S.W.I.

Sunday November 10th—laying of wreath Nancy Graham & Catherine Glenn

Wednesday 13th November A.G.M. East Ayrshire Health Dept—Chair Exercises

Competitions

Twiddle Muff 3 muffins—own choice



# Dunlop Messy Church will be on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 4 - 6pm in the Church Hall.

There will be arts and crafts, games and activities all linked to the Christmas story.

Messy Church is for all ages, and it's a chance for adults and children alike to do things together, learn from each other, and have fun!

Come with family, come with friends, come on your own. Messy Church ends with a shared meal, and a chance to chat, catch up with friends and make new ones. Messy Church is free of charge!

Would you like to help at Messy Church? We will have three more Messy Churches in the new year and would love if you could help at even one. A variety of help is required, setting up before Messy Church, food preparation, home baking, help with crafts, with our songs, with our fun activities, with our meal, clearing up afterwards. So, if you could help with any of these, please call Margo 01560 484824 or Debby 01560 484011.

#### **DUNLOP GALLERY CHRISTMAS EXHIBITION**

If you are looking for an original and special present to give this year, come along to our Christmas Exhibition on Friday the 15th of November, from 7 till 9. We will be showing a selection of work by our local artists, so you can browse, have a drink, and meet up with friends.

The show runs until the 19th of December, so if you can't manage along to the opening night, you can still pop in during cafe hours and have a look.

If you have any questions, you can phone Ellenor at 07811045600, or Shiona at 07506951620.

### SPECIAL EDITION CHRISTMAS CARDS

featuring two of Dunlop Kirk's Stained Glass Windows:

THE BELL TOWER WINDOW

(shining like a beacon as you travel down Main Street on a winter evening)

THE RESURRECTION WINDOW

(depicting the elements of Nature coming to life after winter)

Both windows were designed by the famous stained glass artist, Gordon Webster.

The cards cost £2 each or £5 for a set of three

(They are also available blank for your own message)

#### STAINED GLASS BOOKLET

The booklet makes a delightful present, easily wrapped and easily posted.
£5 per copy
Available at the Church or by phoning 01560 484846

#### **Dunlop Community Cinema**

We are easing into the winter months with a heartwarming film depicting two cinema greats in the twilight of their careers. 'Stan and Ollie' (PG) tells the story of Laurel and Hardy, the golden age of Hollywood behind them and a gruelling tour of Britain's music halls ahead. This is a gentle, poignant tribute to the double act with spot-on performances from Steve Coogan and John C. Reilly. Special mention too for scene-stealer Nina Arianda as Stan's wife Ida, adding some caustic wit to the charming humour. Friday 8th November at 7.30pm.

We are continuing our INTU film screenings this year with 3 very different films. The first is 'Ballerina' (U) on Thursday 7th November. An animated adventure following a young girl who dreams of becoming a ballerina and so, flees her Brittany orphanage for the bright lights of Paris with her inventor friend Victor.

This is followed on Thursday 14th November with 'Les Aventures de Spirou & Fantasio' ('Spirou & Fantasio's Big Adventures'), a French adventure comedy about the search for a missing inventor and our final film on 21st November is 'The Breadwinner' an animated film about a young girl, living under Taliban rule in Afghanistan who has to pretend to be a boy to support her family following the arrest of her father.

All of these Into Film screening begin at 10am and are being shown as part of a nationwide programme of free screenings to celebrate film & education for 5-19 year olds. For more information please see intofilm.org.

Finally on Friday 22nd November we end the month with a fantastically tense horror movie 'A Quiet Place'. Set in a post apocalyptic world where monsters track by sound and pounce on anything that makes a noise, we follow a family as they try to survive in a world of silence. A simple concept that packs a real punch, this will have you on the edge of your seat from beginning to end. Absolutely a must see movie.

We hope the variety of films will bring you out of your nice cosy homes this month and remember we have plenty of popcorn, ice-cream and refreshments. Hope to see you soon.



## **Dunlop Christmas Fair**

Dunlop Village Hall Saturday 7th December 1pm till 4pm

Treat yourself to a light lunch in the conservatory café.

Visit our stalls: Home baking, knitwear, Cards and wrapping, Jewellery, pictures Wreaths and many





Once again Dunlop Players have been rehearsing hard for their upcoming pantomime. This year we are proud to perform **Beauty &The Beast** written by Ben Crocker and directed by Suzanne Wellington. Performances will take place in Dunlop Village Hall on:

Thursday 28th November at 7.30pm Friday 29th November at 7.30pm Saturday 30th November at 1.30pm & 6.30pm.

Tickets are priced at £8 per adult and £6 per child (of school age) and can be bought from Norman's Newsagent, Dunlop Post Office. Alternatively you can pop into the Village Hall on a Tuesday/ Thursday evening from 7-9pm and Sundays from 2-5pm.

Tel: Stephanie on 07480083438 or email: dunlopplayers@outlook.com.

We would like to thank you all for your continued support and look forward to seeing you at the show!