



The schools are back. Summer is sliding into autumn and soon all the clubs and organisations will be back in full swing again. Many churches take this opportunity in the year to focus on the idea of stewardship and encourage people to take the time to think about all we have and are as gifts from God. Our minds go automatically to money and to an 'oh no... the church is asking for money again!' But stewardship in the Bible, while it does include money – is about so much more.

Stewardship asks us to think about:

*How do we share the skills and talents we have in a way that expresses the faith we hold?
How do we use our time in a way that is good for us, helps other people and honours God?
How do we use the 'things' we have, not just to benefit ourselves, but strangers and friends alike?*

What do we do to enjoy and take care of and to protect, the natural world so that everyone is able to go on enjoying both its fruits and its beauty, now and in the future?

Stewardship reminds us that our faith is meant to impact every area of our lives and it challenges us too, to remember that we are not in this life for ourselves... We are 'we' and not 'me'.

The Church is about community. Community that worships and welcomes, reaches out, serves, shares and respects other people, all other people, as well as the world itself. Modern day life tries hard to push us to look out for us first and to think of others only when we have the time or resources to spare. It suggests that there are those 'worth' helping and those it's not. That's not the Jesus way. The Jesus way risks opening hands and hearts to everyone. Without counting the cost.

The reality is that to be able to do that we do need to have the finances and since before the Cathedral was built, the people of Dornoch have given in all those ways mentioned above and so many more. The opportunity for us to add (or to continue to add!) to that long and generous history is constant – **but on September 12th between 10am and 4pm in the West Church Hall, there is an invitation to consider afresh, what we might give financially to help with the upkeep of the Cathedral in order to release funds to do everything else we need to do.** I know times are tight for everyone but if we can keep on pooling our resources, we will be illustrating the Jesus way and in his name, we will be making a difference for the better, to our community and world.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Please continue too, to pray for our Church and for our congregation.

Blessings

Susan.

ROTAS For DOORS & EVACUATION DUTY September 2019

Door Duty: I.Shearer, A Chambers, L.Thomas, F.Robertson, K.Black
Evacuation Duty: Nave:M.Wight,South: M.Sutherland,North: K.Black

READERS FOR SEPTEMBER

1st Liz Broadhead
8th Mike Heming
15th Morag Sutherland
22nd John Gunn
29th Morag Macaskill

Duty Rota Oversteps. September.

Graham McCarthy & Evelyn Calder

Duty Rota Meadows September.

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CATHEDRAL REGISTERS

Weddings

17th August 2019. David Walker and Joanne Houston

Funerals

Mrs Mary MacKay. 9 Phimister Crescent, Embo

Mr John Evans. Ben Tarvie, Balnolaig Muir, Dornoch

KIRK SESSION PASTORAL TEAM

Children's Area in Cathedral.

The Children's Area in the north transept of the cathedral is now a comfortable place for parents or carers with young children, toddlers or babies in buggies to be part of the service while the children play with the toys, look at books or draw if they would care to. You can go to it any time during the service.

Hospital Visits

We invite anyone from the congregation who is to spend time in the Lawson or Migdale Hospitals and would like a visit from one of the elders during their stay to contact Mrs Morag Sutherland (01408 621270) Please do not hesitate to ask.

Church Transport Arrangements

We are offering to arrange lifts to the cathedral on Sunday mornings for any in the congregation, whether from Dornoch, Tain, Golspie, Rogart or any other outlying area, who would not otherwise be able to attend the service. We cannot guarantee that every request will be successful as much depends on the availability of volunteers coming into Dornoch and the number of seats in cars but we will always try. In the first instance contact Miss Margaret MacRae(01408 641776)

Pastoral Visits

If you are part of the congregation but not a member or adherent and you would like a friendly pastoral visit at any time just contact Rev. Margaret McKay (01862 811859) and she will arrange for one of our volunteers to visit you.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

This informal prayer group meets on a Sunday morning before the church service. We meet a little before 10am for coffee and chat upstairs in the West Church Hall, and then start a session of open prayer until 10.40am. We pray for each other's concerns, and those of our church, wider community, and the World.

If you would like to join us any time, you will be made very welcome. If you would like to pray with us but aren't able to join us in person, we invite you to join your prayers with ours just where you are, and know that you are also being prayed for.

DORNOCH SWI

The first meeting of the new session of Dornoch SWI will be held at **7pm on Tuesday, 17th September** in the upstairs room of the West Church Hall (enter by Castle Street door). We have invited **Liz Quinn, author, from Lairg** as our first speaker and look forward to hearing some of her tales entitled **'The Scottish Highlands to Iceland and Scandinavia'**.

The committee have put together an interesting and varied programme that will hopefully appeal to everyone, so if you are new to the area or discover you now have free time, and you enjoy nice company, a good night's entertainment and a cuppa and chat, why not come along and join us you'll be made very welcome. We love to welcome visitors along to any of our meetings too.

Our meetings fall on the third Tuesday of each month from September until May, though we meet at 2pm in January and February.

For those who enjoy taking part in competitions we always have a Flower of the Month competition for a single stem of any flower grown by member, the other competition varies and for September it is a 'a photograph of Sutherland', but there is no pressure to enter these.

If you would like further information, please feel free to contact me: mhookmackay@hotmail.com or 01862810123. Think about it, we'd love to see you there.

Maureen MacKay

FUTURE DEADLINES FOR ISSUES OF UPCOMING PARISH MAGAZINES

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| October Issue: | Sept 22nd |
| November Issue: | Oct 20th |
| December Issue: | Nov 17th |
| January Issue: | Dec 15th |

While every effort is made to include all submissions into the magazine, there may be times when information has to be reworded, summarised or withheld.



in

West Church Hall

Friday 13th September at 7.30

Entrance by Donation

Nibbles and soft drinks available

or

B.Y.O.B.

All proceeds in aid of Dornoch Cathedral Guild Projects





A Lovely Day..

Actually, I couldn't say
What made this such a lovely day.
The air was chill, the clouds hung low,
Yet it was lovely — that I know.
Perhaps it was because someone
Smiled my way and brought the sun;
Maybe it was only that
A friend stopped for a little chat;
Or that a neighbour passing by
Called a warm and friendly "Hi!"
Possibly its special glow
Came from helping one I know—
Not much really—just a hand
To let him know I understand.
Nothing happened, actually,
To set this day apart for me.
Things went along the usual way—
But oh, it's been a lovely day!

Helen Lowrie Marshall

DORNOCH CATHEDRAL YEARLY GIFT DAY

SEPTEMBER 12th 2019

WEST CHURCH HALL

10am to 4pm

*“This is an invitation to consider afresh,
what we might give financially to help with the
upkeep of the Cathedral
in order to release funds to do everything else we need to do”.*

Susan Brown.

RECIPE

GINGER PUMPKIN BREAD(Gluten Free)

Ingredients

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| 200g | white rice flour |
| 200g | granulated suger |
| 130g | sorghum flour or gluten free flour |
| 065g | cornstarch |
| 1tsp | ground ginger |
| 1tsp | ground cinnamon |
| 1/2tsp | ground nutmeg |
| 2tsp | baking soda |
| 1.5tsp | salt |
| 425g | pumpkin |
| 4 | large eggs |
| 255g | vegetable oil |
| 255g | golden syrup |

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180 degree C or 350 degree F.
2. Grease 22cm (9inch) tin.
3. Whisk together dry ingredients in large bowl.
4. Add pumkin, eggs, oil and syrup. Mix until well combined.
5. Pour into tin and bake for approx. 45 minutes.
6. Cool before slicing.

Taken from 'Flour Power'

**THE
LAWSON CAMBUSAVIE
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FRIENDS**
Charity No. SC0 07310

Our local hospital, via 'The Hospital Friends' has benefited hugely, from loyal support of caring individuals, groups, families, patients, staff and Communities.

We have recently asked for clarity regarding donations to the various hospital funds and we hope that the following, enables a better understanding.

If a donation is made to 'The Cambusavie Unit Comfort Fund' or 'Staff Comfort Fund' then this will be acknowledged by the Hospital Administration office and it is understood those Funds will be held and ring fenced in Inverness, as this funding does not come within the remit of 'The Hospital Friends'.

Any Donations made specifically to 'The Lawson Cambusavie Memorial Friends' will be acknowledged by the Secretary and spent directly, in full consultation with hospital staff, to support 'The Lawson Cambusavie Memorial Hospital and the departments.

The Lawson Cambusavie Memorial Hospital Friends
Will be holding a

Cheese and Wine evening
on

11th October 2019

Time and location to follow in next months Parish News.

LIFE AND WORK

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GOD & TAXES The morality of taxation

I REALLY LOVE MY CHURCH COMMUNITY
Former MEP Catherine Stihler talks about faith

CELEBRATING THE GUILD
Annual Gathering and Guild Week.

THE DISINVESTMENT DEBATE
Second part of a short series offering thoughts
on the Churches Investment Trusts

Plus all the regular columnists, news, reviews, letters, registers
and crosswords

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Subscribe online from £12, or download a digital copy for £1.99; or speak to your church's Life and Work coordinator.

DORNOCH CATHEDRAL GUILD SESSION 2019-20

Meetings are held at the West Church Hall on Tuesdays at 2.30pm
except at 7pm on 24th September 2019 & 7.30pm on 10th March 2020

A Montage of some of our 2018-19 Events



2019

8th-15th Sept: Guild Week

24th Sept at 7pm: "Sure & Steadfast" Boys' Brigade

1st Oct: "Many Roads Travelled" Marian Macintyre, Guild National Convenor

22nd Oct: "Crafty Fingers" Maureen Mackay

12th Nov: "Susan at the Guild Gathering" and Guild Projects Update

26th Nov: "Playlist for Life"-Music helping Dementia: Michael Halley

3rd Dec: Christmas Lunch

2020

14th Jan: "Anecdotes of a Moderator": The Very Rev. Dr. Susan Brown

28th Jan: "Where it all Happened"- C of S trip to Palestine & Israel: Annie Macdonald

11th Feb: "Any Questions": Local Panel

25th Feb: "Leprosy Today": Anne Muirden

10th Mar at 7.30pm: "Speak out; we're here": CASWA-Caithness & Sutherland Women's Aid

24th Mar: AGM followed by "Surprise, Surprise": Local Entertainment

