

## Church Services

	<b>Kinnaird Abernyte</b>	<b>Inchtire Longforgan</b>
	9.30am 11.00am	9.45am 11.00am
June 6	Rev J Roy	Rev L Kay
June 13	Rev B Thomson	Rev R Donald
June 20	Rev L Kay	Rev B Thomson
June 27	Rev B Thomson	Rev L Kay
July 4	Rev B Thomson	Rev J Roy
July 11	Rev R Donald	Rev B Thomson
July 18	Rev B Thomson	Rev R Donald
July 25	Rev R Donald	Rev B Thomson
August 1	Rev J Roy	Rev B Thomson

**You are invited to The Gospel Tent 2010**  
in the grounds behind Inchtire Village Hall  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2010**



**Children's Good News Club**  
**Two weeks only (14<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June)**

**Monday – Thursday, 4.00pm – 5.00pm**  
Bible Stories, Games, Prizes & Surprises!!

Call Stuart or Joy McGahie for more details (01828 686184)

### Adult Meetings

**Monday – Thursday, 7.30 – 8.15pm**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 8.00 – 8.45pm**

**Speakers: Dan Gillies - Luthermuir, Stuart McGahie - Inchtire**

The deadline for the August/September edition of Church News  
is **Friday 23rd July**

Please send to Moira Borwell, 8 Wheatfield Avenue, Inchtire  
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# CHURCH NEWS

**June/July**  
**2010**

**Abernyte**

linked with

**Inchtire**  
**&**  
**Kinnaird**

linked with

**Longforgan**

**CHURCH**  
**OF**  
**SCOTLAND**

**Well done, Birthday Girl!**



Pat Motion abseiled down the University Tower Building on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Thank you to everyone locally who has sponsored her - to date, her team has raised £1200+, in aid of the Dundee Maggie's Centre.

**Interim Moderator:** Rev James A. Roy, 7 Northwood Terr, Wormit, DD6 8PP.  
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**Church Website: [www.carsechurches.com](http://www.carsechurches.com)**

## From the Interim Moderator



Dear Friends

It's hard for me to believe that it's only a year since I wrote my first letter in your magazine as your Interim Moderator. In some ways, I feel I have been among you all my days. I'd like to thank you for the encouragement, support and friendship you have shown me since I came among you in the Carse.

One year in, it seems to me that the Carse congregations have adjusted well to the vacancy. When a minister moves on to a new charge, there's always the danger that members sit back and think nothing can happen until a new minister is in place. I'm glad to find that hasn't happened in this case, thanks to the dedicated and energetic work of Robbie Donald and Bruce Thomson. Indeed, it could be argued that, thanks to them, the linkage is more effectively ministered to than it has been in a long time.

The congregations too have not let up in their activities and involvement. United services have been restored and well supported. We hope that in the times ahead these can be continued and extended. Although the charge is a linkage and not a union, there is a real sense of belonging together in one church family, and that is a source of great strength and encouragement.

This sense of belonging together and working together is fostered, I believe, by the three bodies of office bearers regularly meeting and planning together in united meetings, held in each of the four churches. In this way we are trying to be true to the principle that we agreed at the very beginning of the vacancy – that we should be doing nothing separately that we can do as effectively or more effectively together. It is my hope and prayer that this spirit of cooperation will continue and intensify, even after the vacancy comes to an end.

The process of filling the vacancy has taken a step forward with the election of a nominating committee charged with finding a minister who can be presented to the congregations as a sole nominee. I have written more about the nominating committee in a separate report, which I commend to your attention.

The end of the current session for our congregational activities is in sight with the approach of the holiday season. Although their meetings have stopped, the churches and their worship will continue throughout the summer months, but if you are away on holiday and attend the church wherever you are staying, I hope you will convey the greetings and good wishes of the Carse churches to the members of your host church.

Have an enjoyable and refreshing holiday. I look forward to seeing you all again at the start of the new session.

With all good wishes and every blessing.

Your Interim Moderator

*Jim Roy*

## Save Old Stamps



The World Mission Stamp Appeal 2010, which runs until February 2011, is raising money for the Girls' Hostel at St. Columba's Religious Training Centre in Pakistan. The hostel provides accommodation for 400 girls while they study. They come from poor Christian communities in rural Punjab where there are limited opportunities for education. The girls receive supervised study, Christian education and access to computers. Many have gone on to college or schools of nursing. Recently food costs etc have gone up, putting strain on the hostel's budget.

Dr Charlotte Duff in Longforgan collects used stamps to send to the Church of Scotland World Mission Council in Edinburgh and she would like to thank the faithful collectors and urge them to carry on collecting!

If you're not in the habit of saving the stamps from your mail, why not start now! Please cut the stamps from envelopes and parcels leaving at least a quarter of an inch of paper all round, and there are collection boxes in each of our churches, making it as easy as possible to support this good cause!

### When I say ... "I am a Christian"

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I'm not shouting "I'm clean livin'."  
I'm whispering "I was lost,  
Now I'm found and forgiven."

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I'm not claiming to be perfect,  
My flaws are far too visible  
But, God believes I am worth it.

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I don't speak of this with pride.  
I'm confessing that I stumble  
and need Christ to be my guide.

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I still feel the sting of pain.  
I have my share of heartaches  
So I call upon His name.

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I'm not trying to be strong.  
I'm professing that I'm weak  
And need His strength to carry on

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I'm not holier than thou,  
I'm just a simple sinner  
Who received God's good grace,  
somehow.

When I say... "I am a Christian"  
I'm not bragging of success.  
I'm admitting I have failed  
And need God to clean my mess.

[by Maya Angelou]

## Longforgan News continued

### Longforgan Kirk Session News

- **Presbytery Elder:** Mairi Mitchell has agreed to continue her role as Presbytery Elder for another year.
- **Pop In:** The Wednesday morning tea, coffee and toast service organised by Mrs White attracts between 8 and 15 people of all ages and Kirk Session approval was granted to continue this service on an ongoing basis. Mrs White is to hold the Pop In throughout the school holidays starting at the later time of 10.00.
- **Christmas Fair:** A Christmas Fair will be held in Longforgan this year. Volunteers and helpers are sought over the summer months to produce and organise this event. Date to be decided.

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### WRVS COMMUNITY SERVICES



Everybody needs good neighbours and as a result WRVS provides the Community Transport and Good Neighbours scheme as part of their community services within Perth & Kinross. The aim of the scheme is to provide the assistance that a good neighbour would provide, and is open to older people with restricted mobility because of illness or age, or who have to care for family members who may have extra support needs. People who are socially isolated or lonely and who would benefit from volunteer visits or who require brief respite from carer responsibilities are also embraced within the scheme.

WRVS volunteers can provide transport for medical appointments, visits to libraries, friends and relatives at home or hospital, shopping and social outings. They can also provide companionship and friendship to a housebound person, and support for someone being discharged from hospital.

WRVS work with Perth & Kinross libraries to provide the Books on Wheels scheme, and volunteers man various lunch clubs and telephone support services in the area.

Together with encouraging people to take advantage of the scheme, WRVS also wants to encourage Perth & Kinross residents to become volunteers with the organisation.

Kathleen Coffey is the Project Manager of WRVS Community Services in Perth and Kinross and she invites anyone with any questions about the services to contact the Perth office on 01738 633975. She would also be delighted to hear from anyone who may be interested in supporting their local community by joining WRVS as a volunteer.

## VACANCY NEWS

As noted in my letter, the three congregations elected a **Nominating Committee** at the united Pentecost service on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at Longforgan.

The following members were elected:

**Abernyte:** Mrs Morag Gray, Mrs Gillian Irvine.

**Inchture & Kinnaird:** Mrs Sheena Lawrence, Mr Euan Smith, Mrs Sheena Lamond, Mrs Janette Lowdon, Mrs Lorna Tunstall, Miss Alison Page.

**Longforgan:** Dr Andrew Reid, Mr James Buchan, Mrs Barbara Cuthbert, Mrs Elaine Stewart, Miss Jenny More.

The Nominating Committee has the important responsibility of nominating one person to the congregations with a view to the election and appointment of a minister.

As you will appreciate, theirs is a difficult and responsible task and I would commend them to your prayers.

The deliberations of the committee are totally confidential. Committee members may not discuss their business with anyone, even with members of their own family. Please do not, under any circumstances, attempt to discuss the work of the committee with any of its members. No further reports on the Nominating Committee will be given until they are in a position to submit a nomination to the congregations. This may well take a considerable time.

[Jim Roy]

### Parish Register

#### Baptism

04/04/2010 Ava Katherine Paterson, at Abernyte

#### Funeral

01/04/2010 Sandy Alves, Inchture

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2010, the ashes of the late Nolan Stuart Philips were interred in the churchyard at Longforgan. Nolan was brought up by his aunt and uncle, Charles and Edith Sanderson, who will be remembered from the Post Office in the village. Nolan's wife Sandra, her sister and her niece attended the ceremony conducted by the Rev Bruce Thomson. May he rest in peace.

Two former residents of Abernyte

Isobel (Babs) Johnston, formerly 3 Council Houses, died on 22nd March in Perth

Ian Watson, formerly Whitehills, died in PRI on 25th April.

## Walking Group

The June/July programme is as follows (on both occasions, meet at Inchtute Church car park at 6.15pm)

**15 June** BBQ to be held behind Inchtute Village Hall. We will walk across the flyover and up to Teen Ranch returning with a hearty appetite to enjoy the BBQ. This walk is flat. **If you're planning to come along to the barbecue, please let Liz know as soon as possible.**



**20 July** Backmuir Woods near Muirhead. This walk skirts the wood initially to reach the old drovers' road which we follow to Fowls for about a mile, returning back the same way to the woods. This is a fairly flat walk with a couple of short, gentle inclines.

For more information, please contact Liz Kay, 01828 686029.

### Church Website

[www.carsechurches.com](http://www.carsechurches.com)



Please note that the website will be off-line from Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June until Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> to enable us to work on a major revamp – mostly the same information but making it easier to find!  
[Liz & Moira]

## Monthly Luncheon Club

### What a Smashing Day!



The weather was superb, the staff attentive, the clients appreciative and the food, as ever, excellent.

Donations for the Biscuit Stall were generous with gifts of biscuits heaped on the table and for those who had senior moments, the promise of further contributions to be left with Jennifer at the Post Office. Thanks team!

The Smashing Day ended with a Smashing Finish in the kitchen, as crockery hurtled from a cupboard and shattered on the floor. Don't worry, Village Hall Committee, we will pay for all damages!

The date of the next Luncheon Club is June 27<sup>th</sup> (names to Anne 686656, Mamie, 686691 or Jennifer at the Post Office, by June 23<sup>rd</sup>.)

[Anne D]

## Longforgan News

### Church Flowers

We are indebted to the following for the provision of flowers in the Church in June and July:

June 6	Mrs I Taylor
June 13	Mrs G Christie
June 20	Miss M Mitchell
June 27	Miss H Greig
July 4	Mrs S Hulbert
July 11	Mrs V Marr
July 18	Mrs A Reid
July 25	Mrs J Mulheron
August 1	Mrs G Tait



### "Pop In"

Over the summer holidays, the "Pop-In" will be open from 10am to 11am from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July till Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Tea, coffee, hot buttered toast and biscuits will be served at 50p per person. A bargain not to be missed! So come and join your friends for a chat. Look forward to seeing you!

We're open at the usual time of 9am to 10am until the end of the school term.

[Winifred White]

### Longforgan Celebration of 100 Years of Guiding

A Community Event is to be held on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August** to celebrate 100 Years of Guiding and to publicise the activities offered to girls in Longforgan through the Guiding programme.

Invitations are now being sent to people who have been involved in Guiding in Longforgan, where contact details are known, but there may be others. If you know of anyone who has not been invited and would like to attend, please contact either Margaret Anderson, 360467, or Muriel Anderson, 360205.

The organisers are keen to have a display of old photographs covering the 90 years of guiding in Longforgan so if anyone is able to assist with this, please contact either of the above.

### Fairtrade

Thank you to everyone for taking part in the BIG SWAP and making this year's Fairtrade Fortnight the best yet. Scotland was the biggest of swappers, registering over 85,000 switches to Fairtrade products in just two weeks.



## Inchture & Kinnaird News continued

### Blythswood Highland Food Bank April 2010 Appeal

Two cartons containing 60 tins of food and 13 packets of oatcakes were delivered to the Blythswood lorry at the collection point in Dundee on Wednesday, 26th May. They should now be at the charity's Inverness HQ in Deephaven.



Our grateful thanks to the congregations of Inchture and Kinnaird Churches for their efforts and generosity in responding to this appeal. It is good to know that these items will go to help many people less fortunate than ourselves.

### Starter Packs Dundee

Have you noticed the red plastic box in the vestibule (on the stairs)? It's there to collect items for Starter Packs so if you're having a clear out, don't throw away things that would be a useful part of a starter pack, or you could add an extra cleaning product or two to your shopping trolley, or take advantage of "Buy One Get One Free" offers to donate toiletries, such as soap, facecloths and toothbrushes. Every donation is greatly appreciated by the charity and the needy people it supports.



Many thanks to members of Inchture congregation who regularly bring Starter Pack donations to church.

### What if .....?

**Have you ever wondered what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our mobile phone?**

What if we carried it around in our handbags or pockets?

What if we flipped through it several times a day?

What if we turned back to get it if we forgot it?

What if we used it to receive messages from the text?

What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?

What if we gave it to kids as gifts?

What if we used it when we travelled?

What if we used it in case of emergency?



## Abernyte News

### Church Flowers

June 6 Mrs Janice Sands  
June 13 Wedding  
June 20 Mrs M Gray  
June 27 Mrs E McGoldrick  
July 4 Mrs N Rattray  
July 11 Mrs E Sands  
July 17 Mrs G Irvine  
July 25 Wedding Blessing  
August 1 Mrs A Davies



### Duty Office-Bearers

June Mr W White  
Mr W Ovens  
July Mr D Ramsay  
Mrs J Smith  
August Mrs A Davies  
Mrs R Havranek

### Abernyte School Events

**Annual Health Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June**  
various activities, including the annual Tesco Run.

**Summer Fayre – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June** from 10am  
various stalls, including Plant Sale, BBQ lunch.

### Thank you!

Jessie and Archie Stewart and Essy and Ian Strickland would like to thank all the people who helped to make their 'MS Cake Break' such a success. The final total raised was £600 for the Perth Branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Thank you from all of us who enjoyed the warm welcome, delicious cakes and the friendly chat.



### 2011 Calendar

Why waste all those fantastic photographs that were displayed in our church last September in the Images Exhibition? We hope to produce a calendar for 2011 depicting snapshots of Abernyte throughout the year.

A small committee has already started planning the layout, but new volunteers are always welcome.

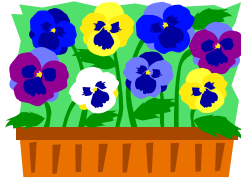
The calendar will be printed in October with the Christmas market in mind!

Dear Heavenly Father,  
I think you'd be proud of me! So far today I've done alright. I haven't gossiped, lost my temper, haven't been grumpy, nasty, selfish or greedy. Praise Your Name! I'm grateful for Your grace. But Lord, a few minutes from now, I'm getting out of bed....  
From then on I'm going to need a lot MORE of Your help.

# Inchture & Kinnaird News

## Church Flowers

	Inchture	Kinnaird
June 6	Mrs M Page	Mrs B Laing
June 13	Mrs M McKay	Mrs J Scott-Adie
June 20	Mrs S Lamond	Mrs A Cameron
June 27	Mrs W Daly	Mrs C Bryden
July 4	Mrs N Low	Mrs C Bryden
July 11	Mrs A Scott	Mrs N Robertson
July 18	Mrs M Marnoch	Mrs E Harrison
July 25	Mrs A Legge	Mrs E Cameron
August 1	Rev E Kay	Mrs M Gillies Brown



## Inchture Sunday School

Our **Annual Picnic** will be held on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June** to Larghan Park in Coupar Angus and this year we will be joined by Abernyte Sunday School families and friends.

All Sunday School children and younger brothers and sisters are welcome, along with parents/grandparents and friends. Sunday school children and younger siblings will be free, Adults £1.50.

Cars will leave from Inchture church at 1.30pm.

A picnic tea will be provided for all attending, but please bring your own seats and rugs and any hot drinks required.



If you're planning to attend, please inform Sheena Lamond, who also will be happy to answer any questions you may have about this event (01828 628135 or sheenalamond@aol.com)

## Volunteers for Baking!

The popular Sunday Morning Cake Sales are set to continue at Inchture Church throughout June, with the proceeds going to church funds. After a break during July and August, the sales will then resume on the first Sunday in September.

There's a new rota on the notice-board in the vestry if you would like to volunteer your baking skills to help with our fundraising!



The Church News can now be downloaded (or viewed) on [www.carsechurches.com](http://www.carsechurches.com) and [www.abernyte.org](http://www.abernyte.org)

# Inchture & Kinnaird News continued

## Update on the Church Steering Committee

The first meeting of the Church Steering Committee was held on April 26<sup>th</sup>. This committee is the group formed after the initial review of the Church Questionnaires which were circulated around both Inchture and Kinnaird a few months ago. The objective of the committee is to act on the feedback received so that both Churches can maximise their potential and play a bigger role at the heart of the communities served.

A few defined action plans were agreed:-

- A review of the various activities that have been suggested the Church building could be used for going forward
- A "skills audit" from people within both communities
- A review of any structural changes required in either church building to accommodate the various requirements

The committee will work on putting forward proposals – to then circulate back to the community for alignment.

An immediate request for those people reading this article would be to give some feedback on some of the activities that are being proposed.

Immediate activities to implement soon: Hymn / Choir practice, Monthly Sunday Evening Services, Family After School Services

Future activities that may require some structural work: Mother and Toddler Groups, Coffee Mornings, Youth / After School Clubs, Arts and Craft Classes, Men's Groups, Saturday film club for children, Sunshine Hour for over 60's, Rock Gospel Group.

In the next few weeks we will put some comments boxes in both church vestries, the Inchture shop and post office (hopefully!) and we would welcome ideas and feedback to be submitted.

Finally, for any of you out there with a skill (and we all have our own unique skills!) whether it is a trade (plumber, builder etc), a profession (architect, nurse, music teacher etc) or simply just have some time available to help support some of these activities, we would love to hear from you.

[Lorna Tunstall]

## Christian Aid

This year's fundraising in Inchture and Kinnaird for Christian Aid Week **totalled £527.20.**

The Cake Bake at Inchture raised £79.70, Inchture Coffee Money £43.50, Kinnaird Coffee Money £150.00, donation envelopes £254.

Thank you for your generous support.

