## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Kirk Session, Church Hall, 2.00pm Mon 16th Mar John Cross, Church, 10.30am Sun 22nd Mar Thu 26th Mar Ouiz Night, Church Hall , 7.30pm Sun 29th Mar Ian Cranston, Church, 10.30am B'burn Pr. Easter Journey, Church, 9.10am Mon 30th Mar B'burn Pr. Easter Journey, Church, 9.10am Wed 1st Apr Bannockburn Coffee House, 2.30pm Fri 3rd Apr Sun 5th Apr Palm Sunday, Church, 10.30am Joint Service, Fallin Church, 6.30pm Holy Week, Allan Church, 7.00pm Mon 6th Apr Tue 7th Apr Holy Week, Murrayfield Church, 7.00pm Wed 8th Apr Holy Week, Ladywell Church, 7.00pm Holy Week, Allan Church, 7.00pm Thu 9th Apr Fri 10th Apr Holy Week, Murrayfield Church, 7.00pm Sun 12th Apr Easter Sunday, Church ,10.30am Sun 19th Apr Jane Sandell, Church, 10.30am Congregational Board, Church Hall, 2.00pm Mon 20th Apr **Sun 26th Apr** Robert Richard, Church, 10.30am Fri 1st May Coffee Bothy, Blairlogie, 2.30pm Sun 3rd May Church, 10.30am **Sun 10th May** Rev Mike Marsden, Church, 10.30am **Thu 14th May** Rob Halligan Concert, Church, 7.30pm Sun 17th May Church, 10.30am Kirk Session, Church Hall, 2.00pm Mon 18th May Plant Sale, Church, 10.30am Sat 23rd May Sun 24th May Frank Hartley, Church, 10.30am

### **GLADYS'S ALPHABET PRAYER**

- A Almighty and adored, hear our prayers we ask for others.
- B Blessings we ask for all who believe and those who struggle with belief.
- C Christ Jesus, comfort those who need your care. Strengthen those who care for others in the community. We pray for our congregation, our children, our connect groups and the Christians in Cunningsburgh. Help us to be charitable to others.
- D We pray for those in darkness, in despair and those who are destitute. Deliver us from evil doers.
- E Enlighten us with your Bible that we may enjoy eternal life and extend that hope to everyone with ears to hear.

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We are here to serve God through lively worship, prayer, fellowship, concern for others and sharing our faith. Our aims are to be a more caring Church, encourage the young to explore the Christian Faith and to spread the Good News about Jesus in the community.



### **UPDATE ON MINISTER**

The signs are that Gary is improving, but it is likely to be a few months before he will be back at work. In the meantime, his intention is to start attending services as one of the congregation, and then perhaps do an occasional reading or prayer during a service. He may also visit one or two folk during this time, but it is important to realise that this is part of his recovery process and he will not be back at work as our minister until his doctor says he is fit to resume duties. Gary and Elspeth thank the congregation for being so understanding,



caring and patient during this frustrating time for them.

# **STOP PRESS**

While this Up Front outlines our plans for the next few months, it may be that government advice about the coronavirus may cause some events to be cancelled or postponed. Please check nearer the time.

### "LORD, I WASH MY HANDS"

## **EVENTS PLANNED**



Join us on Thursday 26 March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall for our first quiz night of 2020. It will not be a **Pointless** evening! Cost £4 per person (tea/coffee and biscuits included).

We know that most of our congregation enjoy going out for tea but wondered whether anyone would be interested in going to the cinema. If there are enough people interested, we hope to organize trips to the Vue in Stirling.



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#### AN EASTER JOURNEY

Pupils from Bannockburn Primary will be visiting the church, one class on Monday 30th March and the other on Wednesday 1st April to explore the Easter story through drama, film and crafts. These mornings will be led by Gordon Roy from Scripture Union who led a similar programme last Easter and another at Christmas. If you would like to help with the children on one of these mornings, please speak to John Cross.

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# **TEA IN THE PARK ON TOUR**

#### The 2020 Tea Tour

The tour continues! If you would like to join us or require transport please contact the person named in the table below.



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Date	Time	Tea Room		Contact
3 April	2·30pm	Bannockburn Coffee House		Jean Hastings
1 May	2·30pm	Coffee Bothy, Blairlogie		Ann Lomax
5 June	2∙30pm	Pavilion, Stirling		Jean Hastings
3 July	2·30pm	Muircot , Clackmannanshire		Ann Lomax
Jean Hastings 01786 811225 Ann Lomax 01786 811364				
DEATH: James Smith, Fairview Care Home				
FLOWERS: April—Joan Martin, Jean Hastings				

May—Elizabeth Hastings

#### TIME TO DECLUTTER

It's that time of year! Time to spring-clean and declutter your cupboards. If you have any small items of bric-a-brac (no clothing or electrical items) that you would like to donate for our next car boot sale please place them in the box in the vestibule of the Church or speak to Jean Hastings about collecting them.

