FIFE PRESBYTERY 20th November 2026

# Presbytery News



## PRESBYTERY GAZETTE

Notice is hereby given that the Presbytery of Fife will meet

- On Saturday 21st of November at 10am in Forth View Parish Church (Dalgety Bay) for a service of communion and thereafter ordinary Business
- The You Tube link is different for this meeting. Look for it on the Dalgety Church Website or key in https://www.youtube.com/live/y8gxP8E3zjs?si=n9w7iSwZqJFChXIY
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# Fife Congregation Wins Fantastic Award!



The Wellesley Centre and the Hope Chest Project teams have been honoured with the King's Award for Voluntary Service!

The process of nomination began over a year ago when the Fife Lieutenancy approached Gillian about the large number of volunteers being nominated for the Award, but they did warn her that it was unlikely we would achieve it. Two Deputy Lord Lieutenants spent several weeks at the projects, meeting people who come to the groups and activities organised in the Wellesley Centre, and those who receive assistance from the Hope Chest project. The application went off in March and Gillian received the news in September that the Award would be announced on November 14th, the King's birthday.

Some of the volunteers work almost full time, and cover both projects, others come to one particular group and assist weekly or monthly, while others help on an occasional basis. The volunteer hours are immense, and are deeply appreciated. Gillian commented "everything that happens here only is possible because of the dedication and commitment of nearly 100 people. They are serving in the Hope Chest showroom, making up referrals, delivering and collecting goods, or working in the variety of groups within the Centre, and its café".

All these people are driven by the passion to serve Jesus Christ, helping their neighbour and living by the words of Jesus "I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was naked and you clothed me", but they do a lot more than that, and they richly deserve this honour, which is the group equivalent of an MBE. The group will receive a certificate and a crystal domed award at a presentation to take place in the early part of 2027.









**A beautiful well attended service took place in Carnbee Church last Sunday. Originally planned as a final service of Closure for the historic old Church building which is now part of the East Fife Rural Parish, the church will now remain open following a last minute hitch in the sale which meant that the offer was withdrawn. While it will not return to regular Sunday Morning Worship the church will be open for services regularly throughout each month. Keep an eye on the Presbytery Newsletter among other places for details.**

**Pictured on the left are the preacher at last week's service, Rev Ian Wotherspoon, who also played the pipes and the Rev Michael Allardice who is one of the Ministry Team in East Fife Rural.**



**A Talk by Jeremy Howard 'On William McLaren : Artist of the West Wemyss Church Mural' will take place in New Hope Kirk West Wemyss Sunday November 22nd at 2pm, followed by a cup of tea.**

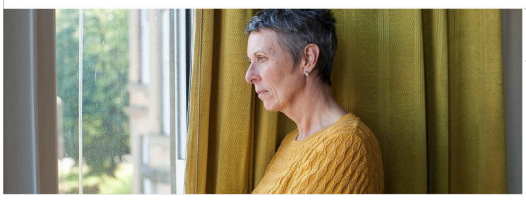
# Does Santa Need a PVG?

Safeguarding:

As we come up to Christmas please note the following guidance from the Safeguarding Service:

**Santa/Father Christmas:** A person handing out presents to children who remain accompanied by a parent or carer is not undertaking a regulated role and does not require PVG Scheme membership.

**One-off carol singing or a Christmas visit to a care home:** A person attending once as part of a group to sing or perform for residents is not undertaking a regulated role and does not require PVG Scheme membership.



# Domestic Abuse Awareness - Module Now Live

**If someone disclosed to you today that they were experiencing domestic abuse, would you know how to respond?Domestic abuse is a topic many of us find difficult to talk about, including in church contexts, but the reality is that it can affect us all. That is why Integrity, the Church of Scotland's gender-based violence task group, has joined with Restored and Church of Scotland Learning to create the Domestic Abuse Awareness module. https://church-of-scotland-learning.circle.so/c/announcements/domestic-abuse-awareness-equipping-ourselves-to-respond-well**

# Notices


HOLY TRINITY
EVENTS
NOV 4 SCOTTISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7PM
NOV 6 SHORT AFTERNOON SERVICE 3PM
NOV 20 MUSIC SOCIETY BIG BANDS CONCERT 4PM
NOV 25 STA & FIFE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7PM
NOV 27 TOPPING AUTHOR TALK: IAN RANKIN 7:30PM
NOV 28 MUSIC SOCIETY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT 3:30PM
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.HOLYT.CO.UK
Boarhills, Dunino and St Andrews: Holy trinity Church of Scotland | Scottish Charity Number: SC017173


Limekilns Parish Church
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
Saturday, 28 November
2 to 4pm at the Church
Admission £5 including Tea
Children FREE (under 16)
CAKE & CANDY
TOMBOLA
TOILETRIES
HAMPERS
BOOKS
PRE-LOVED
BOTTLE STALL
GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE CAKE
CRAFTS


The Rotary Club of Dunfermline proudly presents
The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines Scotland Charity Christmas Concerts
Dunfermline Abbey
2nd and 3rd December 2026
7.30pm - 9.00pm
Tickets: £20
Available from:
ONFIFE
Carnegie Hall
01383 602302
Sew, Yarn Crafty
ROYAL NAVY
Featuring pupils from St John's RC and Limekilns Primary Schools


THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
Fife: Eden Tay Parish Church
Music and Cafe Sunday Service
Led By Fife: Eden Tay Ensemble (FETE)
A Special music team within the Parish
On Sunday, 29th November 2026 at 10:30am • Gateside Memorial Hall
All Are Welcome
For more information, contact:
Michael at Mokpara@churchofscotland.org.uk • Liz at Edentaysessionclerk1@gmail.com
Or visit our website at www.fife-edentaychurch.co.uk • YouTube • Facebook • Instagram


Join Us for a Festive Celebration!
CHRISTMAS FAYRE
FIFE: FORTHVIEW PARISH CHURCH
INVERKEITHING
21st November
12.00pm - 2.00pm
£1 entry
Soup & Mince Pies (£5.00).
Various stalls: Cake & Candy, Small Christmas gifts, Raffle, Hampers, Face Painting and many more!
FOR MORE INFORMATION
Contact Maureen Stibbards on stibbards2@gmail.com
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How can I be a peacemaker?
The story of Abigail and David
Messy CHURCH
Sunday 22nd Nov
10:30am til 12:30pm
Find us in the Church halls
(children must be accompanied by an adult)
GMC
GILLESPIE MEMORIAL CHURCH
14 Chapel St, Dunfermline KY12 7AW
Messy Church is a Christ centred way of being church for families and others of all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration.


AUCHTERDERRAN
KINGLASSIE SINGERS
CHRISTMAS
SINGALONG
7PM
TUESDAY
15TH DECEMBER 2026
AUCHTERDERRAN CHURCH HALL

Fife: Forthview Parish Church
Queensferry Road
Rosyth
KY11 2PQ

# Created to Create

**27th November 2026**
**10.00am - 2.00pm**

*A relaxed workshop where creativity meets faith. We'll explore how creative expression can deepen our faith through art, reflection and conversation. No experience needed! All are welcome.*

Book a spot with Elané by 16th November
Donation of £5
Bring a packed lunch

Contact Rev Elané Sassenberg on:
esassenberg@churchofscotland.org.uk
01383 824092

Charity No: SC020926

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*Auchterderran Kinglassie Guild*

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

IN AUCHTERDERRAN CHURCH HALL

*Saturday 28th November 2026 at 12.00pm*

CHRISTMAS STALL
BRIC-A-BRAC
CHRISTMAS FAYRE
CAKE 'N' CANDY
TOMBOLA
PAMPER HAMPER RAFFLE
TEAS & COFFEES
AND MUCH MORE

FREE ADMISSION
EVERYONE WELCOME

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Come to dance the night away
or just to enjoy the music All ages welcome

# Ceilidh

for St Andrews Night
Kingsbarns Memorial Hall
Friday 27th November 7.30-10.00
Tickets £10, primary age free, under 16's £5
BYOB Refreshments & Raffle
Tickets available from the Inn at Kingsbarns
Kingsbarns Church & Coffee Morning
the Fabrik shop in Crail and Elibby 01334 880387
Hosted by the Friends of Kingsbarns Church SCO09474

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St Margarets & St Ninians Parish Church

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

**Saturday 21st November, 11am**
St Margarets, Abel Place, Touch.
Free Entry

Tombola
Raffles
Visiting stall holders
Home baking
Brik-a-brak
Christmas Gifts
Children activities
Bottle & chocolate stall
Handmade Cards and decorations
Plus various extras

Cafe open from 10:45

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Friends of the Holy Land

Ecumenical Advent Service
Saturday 28th November
starting at 2:30 pm
simulcast between the two twinned cities
featuring the renowned choir of
St Aloysius College, Glasgow

Prayers from the Heart of Glasgow... to the Heart of Bethlehem

Join us in
**St Andrew's Metropolitan Cathedral**
196 Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY
The community in Bethlehem will be gathered in
**Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation, Beit Jala**

There will be a reception supported by the Lord Provost's Office after the service. The service is free to attend, and walk-ins are welcome on the day, however, to assist with our planning for catering please register at:
www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/glasgow26

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# BRUCE DAVIES

IN CONCERT

- ACCLAIMED SINGER
- TALENTED SONGWRITER
- ACOUSTIC MUSICIAN



ST MARGARET'S GLENROTHES - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22 - 2PM

TICKETS PRICED AT £10 EACH / £7 FOR CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FROM FIONA MASSIE (CALL 07838 036661 OR EMAIL FIONA.MASSIE58@GMAIL.COM) / FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO WWW.BANDSINTOWN.COM/E/108969010

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**The Tuesday Music Group Present**

# St. Andrew's Day Concert
at
St. Leonard's Church
on
Monday 30th November 2026
at 2PM

Refreshments will be served
Entry by donation




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# CHRISTMAS CONCERT



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

KINGDOM BRASS BAND
&
KINGDOM DEVELOPMENT BAND

Date 6th December 3pm
Location Pathhead Parish Church, 33 Harriet Street Kirkcaldy, KY1 2AG
£10 per adult, Kids go free
Refreshments provided

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE BAND, CHURCH OFFICE 01592 204635 OR ON THE DOOR

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