

**CRUDEN
PARISH
CHURCH**

**BULLETIN
MAY 2011**



CHRISTIAN AID - 15 - 21 MAY 2011

Scottish Charity Number SC039150

*The annual **Buttery Morning** will be on **Saturday 21 May** from 10 am until 11.30 am in Hatton Village Hall. Admission £2.*

*The **Christian Aid Lunch** will be on **Sunday 15 May** in the Church hall after the morning service.*

*The **House to House** collection will take place during the week of **15 - 21 May**. Those who are tax payers are encouraged to complete the Gift Aid part on the envelope.*

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A Registered Charity SC 006408

DIARY DATES

MAY 2011

EACH WEEK

Sundays 10.00 am Children's Sunday Club in the Old Church & Stables

- Sunday 1st : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am
BIBLE STUDY – People who met Jesus 7.00 pm Hall
- Saturday 7th : Church Walk - Dess Waterfall leaving Hatton Hall at 8 am
- Sunday 8th : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am
BIBLE STUDY – People who met Jesus 7.00 pm Hall

15th – 21st Christian Aid Week

- Sunday 15th : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am
followed by Christian Aid Lunch
BIBLE STUDY – People who met Jesus 7.00 pm Hall
- Monday 16th Kirk Session meeting 7.30 pm Hall
- Saturday 21st : Christian Aid Buttery Morning 10.00 am Hatton Village Hal
- Sunday 22nd : **UNITED MORNING SERVICE 9.30 am ST JAMES'**
therefore no service in Cruden Church
BIBLE STUDY – People who met Jesus 7.00 pm Hall
- Sunday 29th : **UNITED MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am**
Sacrament of Holy Communion
BIBLE STUDY – People who met Jesus 7.00 pm Hall

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL COME OUT
ON **29 MAY**. Copy for inclusion to be handed in to the
Manse as soon as possible.

*** **MAY HYMN BOOK CH4** ***

For more information about the Bible Studies listed
above, please see a later page in this Bulletin.

PARISH REGISTER

NEW COMMUNICANT

Mrs Lorraine Norrie, Hinmaist, Auchenten, Hatton.

HOLY
COMMUNION



29 May
10 am

Duty Elders Jack Young, Betty Forrester, John Lamb, Robert Esson, Betty May, Katherine Hyman, Sandy Smith, Beatrice Fawkes, Joyce Willox, Wilma Moir.

TO THOSE ON SUNDAY DUTY If you are unable to fulfil your door duty, please try to find your own replacement before informing Sandy Beedie (door rota)- 841370 or Wilma Moir (teas rota) 841516.

REMINDER Anyone who might be considering whether they would like to join the church should contact the minister. All those intending to become full church members are invited first of all to start attending church services.

CHRISTIAN AID POSTSCRIPT On the front cover of the Bulletin there is an encouragement to taxpayers to complete the Gift Aid declaration on the Christian Aid Week envelopes. Please note that if you do NOT want follow up material from Christian Aid you must tick the appropriate box – otherwise you will receive later mailing.

**Some
kids are
just too
bright!**

Teacher: Now, Simon, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating.

Simon: No sir, I don't have to, my Mum is a good cook.

Teacher: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

Harold: A teacher.

SUNDAY MORNING DUTIES 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
1 May	Kate Clark Alison Neilson	Anne Smith	Beatrice Fawkes Elma Cumming	Holiday
8 May	Kate Clark Alison Neilson	Wallace Donaldson	Norma Forman Dorothy Cruickshank	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb
15 May	Betty May John Lamb	Anne McNaughton	CHRISTIAN AID LUNCH	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb
22 May	SERVICE	IN ST JAMES'	THIS MORNING	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
29 May	Sarah Paterson Lewis McKechnie	Jean Beedie	Marilyn Samways Fiona Stephen	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb
5 June	Sarah Paterson Lewis McKechnie	Betty Forrester	Rosemary Reid Doreen Buchan	Holiday
12 June	Norma Forman Michael Buchan	Muriel Cantlay	Iris Durno Betty Morris	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb
19 June	Norma Forman Michael Buchan	Margaret Cruickshank	Wilma Moir Lewis McKechnie	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
26 June	Dorothy Cruickshank Liz Carnie	Anne Smith	Alison Neilson Betty Forrester	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.

If the church wants a better minister, it only needs to pray for the one it has.

FROM THE MINISTER 20 April 2011

Dear Friends

***brass spectrum* concert**

I sit down to write this with vivid memories of one of the most enjoyable evenings spent in Cruden Church only yesterday evening. The concert by ***brass spectrum*** almost filled the church downstairs with an audience who were delighted by the music of the Quintet and entertained by the repartee. These professional musicians regularly play in Northeast Scotland and offered to provide the concert to support our Property Appeal.

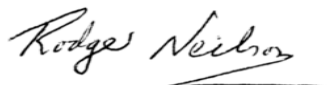
brass spectrum themselves donated £500 as well as giving the concert and we are extremely grateful for their generosity. Another £770 was donated at the concert resulting in our Appeal Fund benefiting by £1,270 as well as everyone enjoying a memorable evening.

2011 Property Project

Last month I reported that we were seeking estimates for work to be done in line with the recommendations of a report by a consultant on our building. Adding VAT to the estimates received would take the total over £100,000. At first sight this figure is frightening but I must stress that while it would be good to follow through on all the recommendations, they are not all essential and we will obviously “cut our coat according to our cloth”. Already further grant applications have been made to the General Trustees and to the Scottish Churches Architectural Heritage Trust. I would expect in the near future grant applications will also be made to the Baird Trust and to the SITA Trust. Once we know how much money we can ingather, and our own fundraising must be an important part of this (you will read more about our fundraising plans next month), then we will be able to plan exactly what work gets done and when. Obviously the priority is replacing the two temporary windows.

One thing I can assure you of is this – we are heading in the right direction of having a church building of the highest standard in line with good conservation principles.

Your friend and minister



CRUDEN GUILD

Last minute snags have delayed the finalising of the details for this year's **Senior Citizens Outing** on Thursday 2 June. An invitation is extended to all senior citizens who are church members or adherents. Please see the enclosed notice.

A bus will pick up in Cruden Bay at 12.30 pm and Hatton at 1 pm. Due to the high cost of buses, we want to know numbers in advance. If you would like to come please can you notify any Guild Committee Member – Rosemary Pittendrigh, Shonah Taylor, Irene Will, Kathleen Craig, Lorraine Neilson.

WATCH & TALK GROUP

April Meeting - Continuing The History of the Bible

We watched a DVD concerning the transformation of Saul, a staunch Jew, to a devotee of Jesus, thereafter known as Paul.

The presenter of the programme was Tom Holland who seemed to want to impress the viewers that Paul, through his letters and preaching, assured the Gentiles that the Laws of the Jews did not have to be followed to the letter which made it possible for all people to believe in and follow Jesus and enter the Kingdom of God. Paul also implied that all men are equal in the eyes of God regardless of their beliefs or nationality, unfortunately he did not include women in this belief.

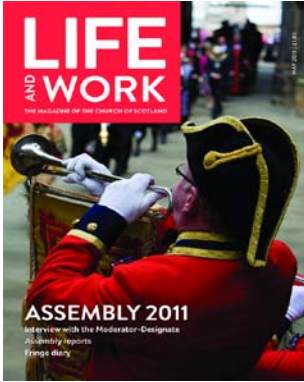
His teachings were directed mainly towards the Gentiles, namely Greeks and Romans, in his attempt to introduce them to what was to become a religion known as Christianity. Paul never denied the fact that he was a Jew but Tom Holland believes that he is at the root of Christianity and responsible for influencing history by introducing Christianity to the rest of the world and as a result it has become one of the most strongly followed religions in today's world.

Tom Holland believed that Paul was a very complex person but, despite that, he emphasized in his letters and teachings that love is the most important factor in all our lives.

This was the last meeting of the Group for this session but a lunch has been planned for 22 May at the Buchan Braes Hotel. All members of the Group are invited to attend.

Jenny McGarrol

The Kirk Session next meets on Monday 16 May at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall
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MAY ISSUE

General Assembly 2012

Profile of the Moderator-Designate, the
Rev David Arnott
Reports and Fringe Diary
Roll Away the Stone

The new-look Assembly Hall, and the man
responsible for it.

The Book That Changed the World Jackie Macadam talks to the maker of a new film about the creation of the King James Bible.

The Appearance of the Risen Jesus The Rev James Martin examines the 'hallucination' theories surrounding Easter.

The Growing Church How a church in the rural north-east is planting the seeds of faith

View from the Pew Geoff Miller highlights the importance of the Old Testament in deepening understanding of the Bible.

Changing Sides The Rev Moira McDonald reflects on the differences between a worshipper and a worship leader.

Plus all the regular features, columnists, letters, reviews and crosswords – all for just £1.80

Assembly coverage

Life and Work will provide updates from the General Assembly (May 21-27) through [facebook.com/lifeandwork](https://www.facebook.com/lifeandwork) and twitter.com/cofslifeandwork

Anyone wishing to subscribe to Life and Work should contact:
Mrs Isobel Young Tel: Cruden Bay 812360



Marmalade Boosts Property Appeal

Throughout the month of April, Beatrice Fawkes has been selling jars of marmalade in the hall after the morning service. The marmalade has obviously been popular because, with one Sunday of April left, an amazing £275 has been raised for our Property Project. Thanks, Beatrice for all the work you have put in.

Church Walk, Clola - Sunday 27th March 2011

Our group of 12 set off from the Clola Smiddy past the Free Kirk of Clola, in private ownership since the mid 70s, towards the small hamlet of Durie. We could see no sign of the former Kinmundy School among the trees nor any trace of Kinmundy House, a billet for World War 2 soldiers and "out of bounds" for the local youngsters at the time.

At the bridge over the Ludquharn Burn, we had an option of following the recommended route past "the two trees near a disused quarry marking Jamie Fleeman's birth place" but opted for the shorter right turn towards Lenabo Woods. Tracks lead through the forest to identifiable remains of the First World War airship base and this may be the subject of a future reconnoitre.

Beech hedges flanked the final stretch of our route past the imposing Mansion House at Newton and past Kinmundy Home Farm to the A952 and back to the Smiddy. From there, we sped along to the Happy Plant at Mintlaw for "mini teas".

After the combined walk with the Guild in April, we look forward to the Kincardine O'Neil to Dess (or Aboyne) walk on Saturday 7th May and hope for the same excellent turnout for that trip.

Margaret Wisely



Tickets from members or 01358721838



Ythan Singers: Scottish Charity, SC018223: www.ythansingers.co.uk

May is a very important month from the perspective of reaching out to others which is a requirement of all Christians. As well as reaching out to the world's poor through our support of Christian Aid, we have the chance, on the last two Sundays, of reaching out in friendship to our fellow Christians in the parish in the fellowship of shared worship with St James' Episcopal Church. Please try and come to both services – in St James on the 22nd and then in our own church on the 29th.



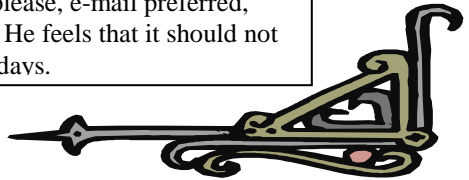
CRUDEN CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS

to **Mrs Anne Taylor, Clachbeinn, Hatton** who celebrated her 80th Birthday last month.

to **Mr Jackson Simpson, 108 Braehead Drive, Cruden Bay** who will be celebrating his 80th Birthday this month.

The minister would welcome, in writing please, e-mail preferred, any news for this feature in the Bulletin. He feels that it should not simply be a list of anniversaries and birthdays.



A series of 5 Sunday evening Bible Studies from 7 – 8:15 pm in Cruden Church Hall

A look at the stories of some of those who came face to face with Jesus and what these stories have to tell us about our own encounter with Jesus Christ.

1 May Encounter with a despondent pair (Luke 24:13-35)

8 May Encounter with a crooked civil servant (Luke 19:1-9)

15 May Encounter with a man of means (Mark 10:17-31)

22 May Encounter with a divorcee (John 4:5-30)

29 May Encounter with an establishment figure (John 3:1-21)

THROUGHOUT MAY

CRUDEN CHURCH BIBLE STUDIES