Glencairn & Moniaive Parish Church of Scotland Church Family Notices Sunday 10 March 2024



Minister: Rev Mark Smith Family Worship at 10:00am Reading: John 3: 14 - 21

Today: Join us for **Family Worship** for Mothering Sunday at the usual time of 10:00am.



After the service, join us for the Congregation's **Stated Annual Meeting.** All are welcome to attend. Hear reports on Church life in 2023 and find out what is planned for us in 2024.

Next Sunday: Morning Worship at 10:00 am.



Check out the page below for details of our services up to Easter.



The next Saturday COFFEE MORNINGS are arranged for 16th March and 20th April, at the usual time of 10:30am until noon. See the poster below.



The **Congregational Accounts** for 2023 have been approved and signed off by the Trustees. They have been posted on the Church website under the 'News' tab for information or to download, alternatively by clicking <u>here</u>.



Bookings for Meetings:

Can anyone wishing to book either St Ninian's Church or The Paterson Rooms please contact our Bookings Clerk Margaret Gillies at email:margaretgillies44@yahoo.co.uk State your Group name, Responsible person, date and time required, and your email and phone contact details. There is more information on the Church website under the 'Bookings' tab, where you could also fill in an application form there.

Do note that the time-slots and rates have changed for 2024.

Message from our Minister:

Today is MOTHERING SUNDAY! This has ancient roots, going back to the earliest days of the Christian church – a time to remember those who have nurtured us in our life and in our faith. People would travel back to the church where they had been baptised (mostly adult baptism in those days and mostly on Easter Day as part of a large gathering together) to re-focus themselves as part of the Lenten fast in preparation for Easter. Returning to what they saw as 'Mother Church', hence Mothering Sunday! A physical reminder of the spiritual truth of their faith.

What, or who, do you go back to when you need encouragement or a re-boot for your faith? Thank God for all the people, places, music, words, which have helped you on your journey of faith as well as those who have nurtured you physically and emotionally. Thank Him for the glimpses of His Light which have pushed back the darkness and shown us the way.

Who will you thank this Mothering Sunday?

God Bless,

Mark

PRAYER for this week:

Almighty God, King of kings and Lord of lords, we adore You.
You make sense of our lives, of our living and our loving.
You make sense of the world around us, in peace and in turmoil.
In moments of joy and desolation
You bring us meaning and purpose.
You are light in our darkness.
Almighty God, King of kings and Lord of lords, we adore You.

PRAYER THEME: Thank God that He gives us light, directly and through those who love us.

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Website: www.glencairnparish.co.uk

March to Glencairn & Moniaive Parish Church Easter

ST NINIAN'S CHURCH

(see website, Facebook for further details)

MOTHERING SUNDAY 10th 10am **Family Worship**

SATURDAY 16th from 10.30am Coffee Morning

SUNDAY 17th 10am Morning Worship
PALM SUNDAY 24th 10am Family Worship

- Hosannas all round!

Maundy Thursday 28th 2pm The Last Supper

- Reflection & Communion

GOOD FRIDAY 29th 11am The Crucifixion

- Meditation & Reflection

EASTER SUNDAY 31st 8am Poolside Praise

@ Cairn Pool

9am Breakfast Buns

10.30am Family Worship

- Alleluias all round!

Come and join the celebrations!



Tea, Coffee, Biscuits and a blether St Ninian's Church

Saturday 16th March 10.30 – 12 Saturday 20th April 10.30 – 12

**Donation £3

All welcome, bring a friend

(proceeds to St Ninian's Church- Charity Number: SC014663)