

**PAUSE FOR THOUGHT**

As the print of the seal on the wax is the express image of the seal itself, so Christ is the express image – the perfect representation – of God.

Ambrose

**PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:  
ETHICS IN SCIENCE AND MEDICINE**



Lord, You enable us to discover and innovate amazing technologies and treatments that enhance our lives. May all those working in mathematics, sciences, medicine, engineering, genetics and nanotechnology acknowledge Your power and wisdom. Amen.

Ask God to expose any practical or ethical dangers of innovations that could potentially alter what it means to be human, or irrevocably damage the natural environment. Pray that unwise projects born out of 'selfish ambition and conceit' will fail.

Remember Christian health professionals, scientists and ethicists at the forefront of developing Artificial Intelligence (AI) and robotics. Pray for the Church to bring wise perspectives to the incredible changes this will bring to every aspect of human life.

**THANKSGIVING:** for the dedication and skill of those who are researching possible cures for debilitating illnesses. Ask God to reveal His solutions and enable the development of ethically sound therapies and treatments that can transform patients' lives.

Pray for members of Research Ethics Committees and those who make decisions about treatment for dementia, stroke or brain damage patients who are not facing imminent death – especially in the light of British Medical.



**Bible Reading  
Challenge**

This Challenge is based on carefully selected short Bible passages — 50 from the Old Testament and 50 from the New Testament — that helps you get the big picture of the Bible.

Set aside a special time and place to read the Bible each day. **PRAY** before you read, asking God to help you understand. **READ** the Bible passage, and then **REFLECT** on the passage. The number shown in the brackets relates to the reflection in the helpful study guide.



**WEEK 2**

The Fall (2)

**Genesis 3:1–3:24**

Gabriel's Message (52)

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**USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS**

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# DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

You enter this church, not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into God's presence, offering God your love and service. As you worship amongst us today, may you experience God's loving presence, peace and hope.

### Welcome & Church News Call to Worship

**Hymn** – The God of all eternity

[Tune: 'Winchester New' - No. 334]

### Prayer

**Hymn 327** - Brightest and best of the sons of the morning

### Bible Readings

John 1: 1-9

(RSV - px/y; GNB - p.z)

John 8: 12-20

(RSV - px/y; GNB - p.z)

### Time for Reflection

**MP 420** - Like a candle flame

### Sermon

**Hymn 543** - Longing for light

### Prayer for Others

### Offering

### Prayer of Dedication

**Hymn 159** - Lord, for the years

### Benediction

#### Prayer of Preparation

Lord Jesus Christ, Light of the World, shine in our hearts, banishing all that obscures your goodness and darkens our lives. Illuminate this time of worship, so that in every part it will draw us closer to you, revealing more of your purpose and unfolding more of your grace. Come to us as we come now to you, and flood our lives with the radiance of your love so that it might shine not just in us, but also through us, bringing glory to you. Amen

## CHURCH NEWS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7th</b>	Ladies' Exercise Class Monday Club	9.45am (Church Hall) 2.00pm (Church Hall)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8th</b>	Men's Keep Fit	5.00pm (Church Hall)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9th</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10th</b>	Chatterbox Earn Singers	9.00am (Church Hall) 7.30pm (Church Hall)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11th</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12th</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13th</b>	Morning Worship  Afternoon Worship	9.30am (Dunbarney) 11.00am (Forgandenny) 2.30pm (Caledonia Lounge)

**VISITORS:** Welcome to Dunbarney and Forgandenny Parish Church. We're delighted you are here today. Following the service, please stay and join us for tea or coffee. We would also be grateful if you could sign our Visitor's Book, which is on a table as you enter the Church and feel free to take a copy of our Church magazine, Parish Voice. Both Church buildings are fitted with a loop system.



**CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS** The total raised at the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services was £922.30. £461.15 has been sent to each charity-PRI Stroke Unit SC011042 and Cycling without age Scotland SC048128.

**CALEDONIA HOUSING** There will be a service in the Lounge at Caledonia this afternoon at 2.30pm to which you are invited.

**MESSY CHURCH** Our next Messy Church will be today from 4.30pm - 6.00pm. As usual there will be lots of fun and games plus something yummy for our tea together. Do invite any young families you know.

**THE MONDAY CLUB** will meet again on 7<sup>th</sup> January at 2.00pm to hear a bit about Scone Palace garden and grounds from Brian Cunningham.

**THE SOUP LUNCH TEAM** are providing a lunch with Burns' Fayre - Haggis, Neeps and Tatties followed by Trifle, teas/coffee in the Church Hall from 12.00 noon. Cost £5.

**LADIES' EXERCISE CLASS** The classes will begin again on January 7th. As Sophie will be back, the class will be at 9.45am as before.

**MEN'S FITNESS CLASS** Class resumes on Tuesday 8th January at 5.00pm.

**CHATTERBOX** comes back for fun, friendship (and toast!) on 10<sup>th</sup> January.

**THE PASTORAL CARE GROUP** meets on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January in the hall.

**THE MINISTRY GROUP** will meet on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January in the Manse.

**THE KIRK SESSION** next meeting is on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

**A JOINT SERVICE** will be held at 10.30am on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January in Dunbarney Church. This has been requested by the Local Church Review team and the timing has been agreed by the Kirk Session. A simple lunch of soup, bread, tea, coffee and traybakes will be served to everyone who can come along to the Church Hall at Dunbarney after morning worship.

The three members of the LCR team would like to chat with those of you who can come along that day. Please put it in your diary, see you there. If you wish to read the report sent to the LCR team there are still copies available in the vestibule of both churches.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

Dunbarney Church	Forgandenny Church
<b>Organist:</b> Alison Hunter <b>Reader:</b> Jack Blair	<b>Organist:</b> Joan Blue <b>Reader:</b> Anne Rodgie

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Please keep this order of service for reference, or give it to someone who cannot attend Church this morning.

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**The God of all eternity,**  
unbound by space yet always  
near,  
is present where his people  
meet  
to celebrate the coming year.

2. What shall we offer God  
today -  
our dreams of things that  
might yet be,  
or, with eyes fastened to the  
past,  
Our dread of what we cannot  
see?

3. God does not share our  
doubts or fears,  
nor shrinks from the unknown  
or strange:  
the one who fashioned heaven  
and earth  
makes all things new and  
ushers change.

4. Let faith or fortune rise or  
fall,  
let apprehension have its day;

those whom God loves walk  
unafraid  
with Christ their guide and  
Christ their way.

5. God grant that we, in this  
new year,  
may know and show the  
Kingdom's face,  
and let our work and worship  
thrive  
as signs of hope and means of  
grace.

**Like a candle flame**  
flick'ring small in our  
darkness,  
uncreated light shines  
through infant eyes.

**Group 1:** God is with us,  
alleluia

**Group 2:** God is with us,  
alleluia

**Group 1:** come to save us,  
alleluia,

**ALL:** alleluia!

2. Stars and angels sing,  
yet the earth sleeps in the  
shadows,  
can this tiny spark set a world  
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