

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

Anyone who proposes to do good must not expect people to roll stones out of his way, but must accept his lot calmly if they even roll a few more upon it.

Albert Schweitzer

**PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:
CARING FOR THE CARERS**



Lord, please grant continuing strength, patience and compassion to those caring for a loved one who has dementia. Comfort them as they watch over this person, once so full of life, but whose personality and abilities are now sadly fading. Amen.

More people die from suicide in the world than by war and murder combined. Remember those who care for someone who suffers from a serious mental health condition that could lead to suicide. Pray for them to be supported in this situation.

Give thanks for Age UK, Care for the Family and local groups that support carers with practical advice, friendship and leisure activities.

Lord, we recognise the loving service of millions of unpaid carers who willingly cherish and support children and other dependent family members and friends. Please grant them peace, and show them Your love and grace. Amen.

Remember the estimated 700,000 young carers in Britain aged under 18 – some as young as five – who support a sick or disabled relative at home.

Pray for those who have decided that now it is best for them, or someone close to them, to move into a care home. Ask God to guide them in finding the right place, dealing with the financial implications and to give them emotional and physical strength to make this



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 36

OT

David and Bathsheba (36)

2 Samuel 11:1–12:25

NT

Elders and Deacons (86)

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Minister	Rev. Allan J. Wilson	812211
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DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9TH SEPTEMBER 2018

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 comforting presence and peace.

Welcome

Hymn 757 - Come all you people

Church News & Call to Worship

Hymn - This is God's House

[Tune: 'Was LebetWas Schwebet', No. 327]

Opening Prayer

Hymn 97 – Oh God, you search me and you know me

Bible Reading

Romans 12: 1-21

(RSV – p.x/y; GNB - p.x)

Time for Reflection

Hymn 550 - As the deer pants for the water

Sermon: Cycle of Grace [6]

MP 442 - Lord of the church, we pray for our renewing

Prayer for Others

Offering & Dedication

[All-Age Talk]

Hymn 739 - The Church's one foundation

Benediction

Prayer of Preparation

Lord, open our mouths that we might declare your praise, open our ears that we might hear your voice, open our hearts that our lives might be open in turn to you and others. Teach us that your grace, your word and your love are for us and everyone without partiality - to people of every race, faith, culture and status - no one in your eyes of more or less worth than others. Teach us, then, through our worship, how much you value us and everyone. Amen

CHURCH NEWS

Monday	10th	Ladies' Exercise Class	9.45am (Church Hall)
Tuesday	11th	Banner Group Men's Fitness Class	2.00pm (Laird's Loft) 5.00pm (Church Hall)
Wednesday	12th		
Thursday	13th	Chatterbox	9.00am (Church Hall)
Friday	14th		
Saturday	15th		
Sunday	16th	Morning Worship	9.30am (Dunbarney) 11.00am (Forgandenny)

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.



THE MEMBERS OF THE BANNER GROUP would like to thank everyone who supported them at their recent cake and produce stall. £170 was raised and this will be used to help fund the materials for their next project. A big thank you to all.

TRAUMA TEDDIES All the teddies have been taken to their new home with Tayside Police, who were very grateful to receive them. Many thanks to everyone who made time to knit them. We had an overwhelming response!

AFTERNOON SERVICE An afternoon service will take place in Caledonian Housing Association lounge today at 2.30pm. Please come along. You would be made most welcome.

CHURCH OFFICE The office will be closed from Wednesday 12th to Friday 21st September inclusive.

MEN WANTED! The Perth and Kinross Guilds Together has been asked to consider twinning with the Men's Guild of Malawi because we have a significant number of members who are men. There will be a meeting in St Matthew's Church at 7.30pm on Thursday 13th September and LECT Guild members are invited to attend for this discussion. We are particularly keen that men take

part in this. Of course, if you are interested but have not yet joined the Guild you are still welcome! For further information please speak to Gillian, 01738 850066.

THE WOMAN'S GROUP will hold its first meeting, entitled 'Pearls and Prosecco', this session on Wednesday 19th September at 7.30pm. Claire Bruce from Number Five, jewellers in Perth, will talk about different types of pearls and ways of transforming a set of pearls. Ladies with pearls are invited to wear them.

SPRING HARVEST LOCAL EVENT Anyone interested in going to a Spring Harvest local event in Adelaide Baptist Church, Glasgow, on Thursday 20th September at 7:30pm? If so, speak to Allan ASAP. Cost of entry £8 (£6 concessions) for the evening.

THE NEXT DVD EVENING for local young children is planned for Friday 28th September. Any donations of diet/sugar free fizzy pop (cola and orange flavour please) and popcorn (sweet, sweet & salty, salty) would be much appreciated. Please leave any donations in the Church foyer by Sunday 23rd September.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL PERTH GROUP are hosting **Sounds and Stories from Syria** on 26th September at 7.30pm in St John's Episcopal Church with Ayman Jarjour, Syrian classical guitarist, and Alyson Jarjour, diplomat. See noticeboard for more information.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING in Caledonia Housing Lounge, Muirmont on Friday 28th September from 10.00am – 12.30pm. Entry by donation. Cake & Candy, Sales Table and Raffle. Donations for these would be appreciated. Please come and support us. Janet & Muriel.

MIDWEEK FELLOWSHIP The next meeting will be on Wednesday 3rd October 2018 in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. Please come along to a time of singing, discussion and prayer in a relaxed and informal setting. Tea and coffee will be served.

MESSY CHURCH - For one of the activities at the forthcoming Messy Church, we require a supply of cardboard boxes and cardboard tubes. We would be grateful if you could please save these items and bring them along to Church when you can. Thank you.

ACTIVITY PACKS We have created 4 activity bags for children who may wish to stay in Church during the service to use. These are hanging on the coat pegs in the vestibule of Dunbarney.

TODAY'S SERVICE

Dunbarney Church	Forgandenny Church
Organist: Miss Alison Hunter Reader: Mrs Margaret Folan	Organist: Mrs Joan Blue Reader: Mrs Trudi Nicol

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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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**This is God's house, holy ground for God's people,**  
hallowed by singing and silence and prayer;  
blessed by the presence and power of the Spirit,  
founded on faith in the Saviour we share.

2. This is the place where the Church, as Christ's body, meets as a family where all have their place:  
stalwart and stranger, speaker and seeker -  
each needs the other and all need God's grace.

3. This is the time when desires and intentions

find interaction with God's holy word:  
trouble and treasure and business and pleasure,  
all are redeemed and restored by the Lord.

4. This is the purpose of God in creation:  
all shall be changed for the Gospel is true -  
sickness to health, apathy to believing,  
doubt to commitment and old into new.

**Lord of the church, we pray for our renewing:**

Christ over all, our undivided aim;  
Fire of the spirit, burn for our enduring,

wind of the spirit, fan the living flame!

We turn to Christ amid our fear and failing,  
the will that lacks the courage to be free,  
the weary labours all but unavailing,  
to bring us nearer  
what a church should be.

2. Lord of the church, we seek a Father's blessing,  
a true repentance and a faith restored,  
a swift obedience and a new possessing,  
filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord!

We turn to Christ from all our restless striving,  
unnumbered voices with a single prayer -  
the living water for our souls reviving,  
in Christ to live,  
and love and serve and care.

3. Lord of the church, we long for our uniting,  
true to one calling, by one vision stirred;  
one cross proclaiming and one creed reciting,  
one in the truth of Jesus and His word!

So lead us on; till toil and trouble ended,  
one church triumphant  
one new song shall sing,  
to praise His glory, risen and ascended,

Christ over all, the everlasting King!