

# Christmas at Meldrum & Bourtie Parish Church

## AT MELDRUM PARISH CHURCH

**SUNDAY 16th DEC. 11.00am**

Nativity Service with Sunday Club

**SUNDAY 23rd DEC. 11.00am**

A Celebration of Christmas

**MONDAY 24th DEC. 11.00pm**

Carols sing-a-long

**11.30pm** Watchnight Service

**TUESDAY 25th DEC. 10.00am**

Christmas Morning Family Celebration

(Young People bring a present to show us!)

## AT BOURTIE KIRK

**SUNDAY 16th DEC. 2.30pm**

**Carol Service**

The Church  
of Scotland



*December 07 / January 08*

Dear friends,

By the time you read this letter, your own beloved Minister, Hugh O'Brien, will be back amongst you all as you prepare to celebrate once more the wonderful joy of Christmas. I have no doubt that he will have worked hard as he travelled far during his period of Study Leave. Yet, I feel sure that he will return refreshed, stimulated and full of new perspectives. These he will hope to share with you, so that, together, in the coming months you can further extend the Kingdom of God.

For me, it has been a wonderful privilege to have been with you as Locum Minister in Mr. O'Brien's absence. I have much appreciated the very genuine Christian welcome that my wife and I have received from so many. It has only been a few weeks, and, therefore, not a lot of time to get to know you well, or you, me. Yet we have travelled together, in Bourtie and Meldrum, through significant occasions in the mission of the church,--- Celebration of the Lord's Supper, Family Worship, Remembrance Sunday, the launch of Guild Week, Advent Sunday and, of course, special worship in Sheltered Housing Residences.



# Kirk News



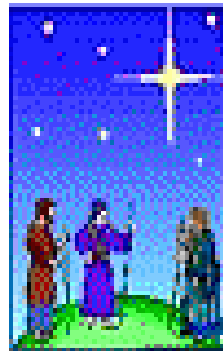
[www.meldrum-bourtiechurch.org](http://www.meldrum-bourtiechurch.org)

As I said, Mr. O'Brien is back in harness for the celebration of Christmas, that most amazing of all human moments. The loving God who created the universe was born on this, our earth, as a vulnerable dependent little baby, this 'child in the manger, infant of Mary'. Can we ever fail to be moved by such an incredible miracle? However in our culture today are those who want to do one of three things with the baby of Bethlehem. Some are content to ignore him. Others want to bury him in the wantonness of mindless spending. Still others want to set him beside other claimants to being God's presence on earth.

So we face serious challenges. If the Church of Jesus Christ fails to proclaim who He is, who else will do it? That is why my consistent theme as we have looked at six basic questions, during my time with you on Sundays, has been Jesus. There is no-one like Him. He has no equals, no peers and no successors. He is the full expression of our amazing God's love, as surely this Christmas as on that first Christmas day in Bethlehem.

As 2008 opens out before you all, there are exciting days ahead for you as a people,--- a Minister refreshed for service, a Congregation with exciting plans and a Community expanding all the time, but still in need of the good news of God's love.

May the Christ child, now enthroned as King of Kings, bless you as you continue to rejoice in his amazing grace and proclaim his life-changing love.



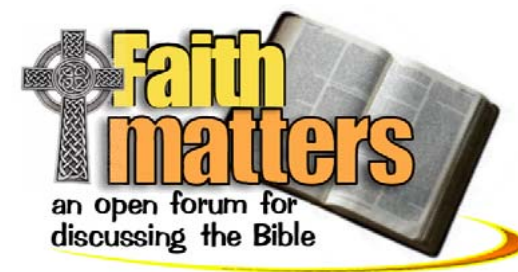
Yours very gratefully,

Norman Maciver.

**Hugh, Valerie, Scott & Caitlin would like to thank everyone who sent cards and messages on the death of Hugh's mother in late October. All of these were much appreciated by the family.**

Street	Code	Street	Code
Duff Drive	12	Rosebank	13
Duncan Avenue	16	Saphock Place	16
Fingask Place	16	Seton Way	9
Forsyth Drive	16	Smiddy Court	6
Eavern Place	10	South Road	4
Elmbank Gardens	10	Station Road	10
Gas Street	8	The Glebe	14
Green Way	17	Union Place	7
James Street	6	Urquhart Road	14
Keil Brae	2	Webster Court	7
King Street	6	Webster Court Road	7
Kirk Brae	3	Westbank Home	8
Kirk Street	3	Westbank Park	11
Kirkhill Drive	3	Westend Gardens	10
Le Roux Drive	17	Wyverie Court	15
		<b>Daviot</b>	<b>18</b>

Another form of fundraising run by the Scouts is the loan of a marquee, if you are running an event next year and would like to borrow the Scouts' marquee, please phone Ian Milton. If you want to know more about the Scouts try [www.oldmeldrum-scouts.org.uk](http://www.oldmeldrum-scouts.org.uk)



*We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7:30pm  
For more information please call - Sheila Bousefield*

Posting boxes will be placed in The Paper Shoppe, Meldrum Pharmacy, Arthur's Gift Shop and Meldrum Parish Church from Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December with the cards being uplifted and delivered on a weekly basis. The Scouts will deliver cards throughout both villages and the suggested donation of 10p per card should be deposited with the cards in the posting boxes. Last Date for posting is Thursday 20th December.

To assist the Scouts who sort the post, please use the **Scoutpost Codes** which are provided below.

At 10p per card for your Daviot and Oldmeldrum Christmas cards, **SCOUTPOST** represents excellent value and will also help keep our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts scouting.

**Cut Your Christmas Costs – Use Scoutpost**

Street	Code	Street	Code
Albert Grove	2	Lower Cowgate	8
Albert Place	1	Macmillan Avenue	16
Albert Road	2	Major Lane	5
Albert Terrace	1	Manson Road	12
Ardconnon Avenue	17	Market Square	5
Back Wynd	5	Mary Slessor Place	14
Baker Street	5	Meadowbank	13
Balcairn Avenue	16	Meadows Drive	13
Barnett Court	6	Meadows Vale	12
Barra View	8	Mill Road	4
Benview Gardens	15	Nathalan Court	5
Bruce Place	12	Newbarns	15
Burgh Lane	17	Oakbank Gardens	13
Burnside Avenue	9	Otter Avenue	10
Commercial Road	10	Park Crescent	2
Cowgate	7	Park Lane	2
Cromlet Place	4	Park Road	2
Distillery Road	7	Provost Drive	1
Donald Gordon Court	9	Provost Florence Drive	9

## Contacts

Name	Position	
Rev. Hugh O'Brien	Minister	
Mrs Jean Mitchell	Reader	
Jim Walker	Session Clerk	
Mrs Mary Dow	Board Clerk	
Mrs Marian Philip	Treasurer	
Mrs Eileen Arthur	Gift Aid Convenor	
Mrs Winnie Reid	Roll Keeper	
Mrs Alison Milton	Rock Solid	
Mrs Pat Patrone	Quest	
Focus Groups:		
Billy Dalzell	Outreach & Communication Group	
Mrs Ray Walker	Pastoral Care Group	
Charlie Simpson	Worship Group	
Sheila Bousefield	Audiotape Co-ordinator	

## Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you very much for all the people who spent time finding and buying little treasures and necessities to put in these Christmas boxes. There were even more boxes filled and wrapped than last year – 243 were collected and £370 was raised to enable transportation of these gifts to bring a little joy to those who have very little.

Thanks to Church, Academy and Community for your great contribution.



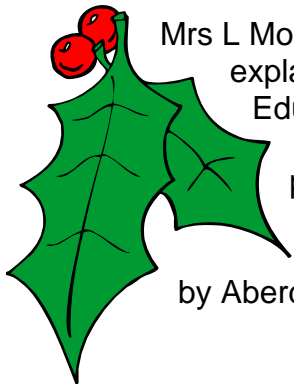


## The Guild

On Monday 24 September the Guild welcomed Mrs J McKelvie who came to talk to us about “Scottish Castles”. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, the meeting had to be curtailed at an early stage and we hope to have Mrs McKelvie back at a future date.

Rev J Watson was the speaker on Monday 8 October when the topic was “The Healing Ministry”. Mr Watson explained he had been in the police in Paisley until 1985 when he retired but was involved with his local church in collecting clothes for orphans in Poland and had managed to gather 30,000 tons of clothes in 3 years. He was called to the ministry but had no qualifications and went on to take highers etc and eventually studied for a degree and it was during this time he became interested in healing. Mr Watson attended a course in Florida and leads conferences at Carberry Towers. In 2005 he gained a qualification in healing and gave examples in the use of healing.

On Monday 22 October the Guild welcomed Mrs M Rennie whose topic was “Lace Making”. Mrs Rennie started making lace in 1990 after being introduced to it during a Girl Guide camp. She visits Bruges annually where she is a member of a group who stay in a convent and take part in Lace Making Seminar. Accommodation is basic and the group join in convent life while they are there. Mrs Rennie brought along examples of various types of lace and showed slides of Bruges.



Mrs L Morrice visited on Monday 12 November when she explained about “Project ALEC” (“Aberdeenshire Life Education Centres”). Mrs Morrice was a teacher with Aberdeenshire Council before becoming part of this project. ALEC started in Scotland in 2004 and Mrs Morrice underwent 3 months special training. Two mobile classrooms run by Aberdeenshire Council visit all primary schools and

## ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

We all do it. The lights beckon. The trees dazzle. The shop windows entice... *We are seduced.* Money passes – almost unnoticed – electronically from one computer system to another. Clichés abound – “Well, you can’t take it with you”. “It’s only Christmas once a year” It’s the same every year. We spend hard earned cash on trivia & baubles that we know are not wanted and are not much use.

We buy items that dust will settle on, that will be transferred around raffles from one house to another and will end up in a car boot sale or a bin.

Every year manufacturers actually pay people to design meaningless ‘tat’.

The reason they do this is because we buy it!

This means we have the opportunity to change it. We have the opportunity to use our cash more wisely.

We all know the other cliché: “Money can’t buy happiness”.

This really depends on what we buy.

Buying tat will, perhaps, raise a smile – that’s OK, but rather short term.

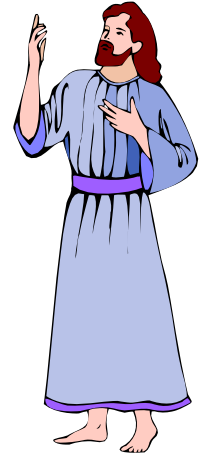
If you receive yet another lotion set, to join the other dust gatherers in the overflowing cupboard, is that going to buy happiness? Probably not.

***Amongst the other presents that we ‘have to’ buy this Christmas why not show you care and Sponsor a child.***

***Or buy a useful item from people like World Vision to help a family help themselves.***

***Let’s make a start on reducing the tat & wastage.***

***Consider spending where it counts – Show you care - take action this Christmas.***



## SCOUTPOST

For the sixth year running Daviot and Oldmeldrum Scouts will be delivering Christmas cards to local addresses in Daviot and Oldmeldrum. Residents and businesses are being urged to support Scoutpost this year. The local Scouts are maintaining their suggested donation of 10p per card at the same level since 2001.

## **Session Clerk's Message for 2007**

Our Church in Meldrum and Bourtie has a reputation for being dynamic and welcoming and never more so than at the Festive Season, which is fast approaching. Behind the scenes there is a great amount of work going on from many Church members to achieve this dynamism and welcoming feeling.

The Kirk Session is very appreciative of all the hard work and support freely given to our Church by these members both openly and anonymously. To all of you reading this, who give of your many and varied talents, please accept thanks, on behalf of the Kirk Session, and to you and yours may you have a peaceful, happy Christmas.

During our minister's study leave we have been fortunate to have had the spiritual leadership of our locum minister the Rev. Norrie McIver and our best wishes for this festive season also go to him and his wife who has worshipped with us over the past six weeks.

Our minister Hugh, will be back to lead our worship through Advent and Christmas and I'm sure that all Church members will join me in wishing him, his wife Valerie and Scott and Caitlin a happy festive season.

This special Christmas issue is being delivered to all the community and on behalf of the Kirk Session may I wish you all a Christmas time of joy and peace. You are invited to join us, and are assured of a warm welcome, at all or any of our Christmas services, details of which are given in this issue of Kirk News.

Jim Walker,  
Session Clerk



nurseries in the county approximately every 5<sup>th</sup> term. During these visits children are informed, in an age appropriate, fun and friendly way, about the importance of healthy eating and the dangers of drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, caffeine etc. Mrs Morrice showed slides of the children taking part in some of these lessons where they obviously were enjoying themselves.

## **Church Offerings**

The Church Treasurer would be grateful if those members contributing by Freewill Envelopes and by Gift Aid would have their contributions brought up to date by Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December.

Envelopes for 2008 will be delivered by your Elder.

We note that a number of 6 Monthly envelopes, handed out by Elders prior to both the Spring and Autumn Communion Services, have still to be returned. Would members who contribute by this method and have not already done so, please get their offerings up to date as soon as possible.

## **Deaths**

Mr John Smith                      Nathalan Court                      22<sup>nd</sup> October 2007

## **Weddings**

Elaine Hourston to Alan Buck                      26<sup>th</sup> October 2007

## **Flower Calendar 2008**

The Flower Calendar for 2008 is now available for anyone who wishes to donate flowers to decorate the Church. The flowers are then distributed to the sick, housebound or bereaved in the Parish. If you wish to donate flowers but do not feel confident at arranging them, there is a team of helpers who will do this for you.

The Calendar is located in the front vestibule of the Church.

### ***Kirk News:***

All items for the February / March 2008 issue of Kirk News should be in the hands of the Editor by Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2008.

If you know of anyone who does not normally receive Kirk News and would like to, please contact the Editor, Simon Hill.

# Information Supplement

## Dates for your Diary

Date	Place	Time	Remarks
<b>December</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bourtie	9.45am	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent
	Meldrum	11am	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent Fairtrade Stall
	Meldrum	6.30pm	Power Praise
5 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Meldrum Church Hall	11am	Monthly Gathering
	Meldrum Manse	7.30pm	Faith Matters
6 <sup>th</sup> Thur	Meldrum Church Hall	7.45pm	Board Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup>	Meldrum	11am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent
	Wyverie Court	2pm	Christmas Carols Transport available
	Westbank Home	2.45pm	Christmas Carols
10 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Meldrum Church Hall	7.30pm	Guild Christmas Party Entertainment by the Ythan Singers
16 <sup>th</sup>	Meldrum	11am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent Sunday Club Nativity Service
	Bourtie	2.30pm	Christmas Service
	Meldrum	6.30pm	Power Praise
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Meldrum	11am	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent Celebration of Christmas
24 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Christmas Eve - Meet at Westbank Home	6.30pm	Carols around the town.
	Meldrum	11pm	Christmas Carols
		11.30pm	Watchnight Service
25 <sup>th</sup> Tues	Meldrum	10am	Christmas Morning Worship – Alternative Service



## Rotary Club of Oldmeldrum

The winter nights are drawing in and it will soon be time to prepare for the festive season. The Oldmeldrum Christmas lights ceremony is to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December and Santa and his sleigh will be there for children young and old to enjoy. Thereafter Santa and his sleigh will be touring the area and will be driving around Oldmeldrum on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December between 6pm and 8.30pm.

The Rotary organisation helps Charities locally, nationally and internationally. In this season of goodwill it should be remembered that in local, national and international Rotary Clubs, members promote world peace and understanding. One of the many medical initiatives is the money and support given to the eradication of polio. In 1985 Rotary International started a campaign to immunise the children of the world against polio. Rotary is a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (the largest public health initiative the world has ever known) that has spanned 200 counties, utilised 20 million volunteers, immunised over 2 billion children, and probably spared 5 million from disability and averted more than a million deaths.

Closer to home our Club has been supporting a Shoe box scheme. In a very similar way to your Church's shoe box scheme we too are filling shoe boxes. Our empty cardboard shoe boxes have been distributed and filled by some of the local primary schools as well as by the members of the Club. Our members also support the pupils at Meldrum Academy by sponsoring senior pupils in leadership and enterprise skills, arranging mock interviews, organising the Young Musician of the Year and a Creative Writing competition as well as judging the technology challenge which involves all the primary schools associated with the Academy. We are delighted to have been awarded a certificate from Enterprise in Education for our cooperation with the Academy" to enhance pupil learning experiences and develop skills and attitudes".

Seasons greetings from the Oldmeldrum Rotary Club to you and yours at this festive time.

# CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

**Kids** - Bring your favourite pressie to show everyone. Bring your favourite grownups. Maybe even your brother... or sister?

**Oh, go on** – it's Christmas...they haven't been that bad all year have they?

Come along at **10am to the Church**

We've got *The band*

*A talking Christmas tree*

*Great songs*

**ALL WELCOME**

*And you'll all learn something you never knew*

## ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

Meldrum & Bourtie Parish Kirk invite you to their Alternative Service in the Church Hall, Oldmeldrum on the last Sunday of the month. Services normally start at 10am unless otherwise stated.

New to the village? These services are open to all and a good way to meet new people in an informal atmosphere. Come along to the **Breakfast Service on 27<sup>th</sup> January 08**

**We look forward to welcoming you.**

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30 <sup>th</sup>	Meldrum	11am	
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6 <sup>th</sup>	Bourtie	9.45am	
	Meldrum	11am	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Meldrum	11am	
	Wyverie Court	2pm	Transport available
	Westbank Home	2.45pm	
14 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Meldrum Church Hall	7.30pm	Guild – Kitchen Memories – Kitty McDonald
16 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Meldrum Manse	7.30pm	Faith Matters
20 <sup>th</sup>	Bourtie	9.45am	
	Meldrum	11am	
	Meldrum	6.30pm	Power Praise
27 <sup>th</sup>	Meldrum Church Hall	10am	Alternative Service
	Meldrum	11am	
28 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Meldrum Church Hall	7.30pm	Guild – Talk on Australia and Tasmania – Mrs Lorna Munro
<b>February</b>			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bourtie	9.45am	
	Meldrum	11am	Family Service Fair Trade Stall
6 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Meldrum Church Hall	11am	Monthly Gathering
	Meldrum Manse	7.30pm	Faith Matters

### Special Offerings

There will be a Special Offering on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, at the Watchnight Service on Christmas Eve and the Christmas Morning Service at 10am.



## Fairtrade Coffee Morning

We would like to thank all who, on such a wet, windy day, supported this event. We sold approximately £250 of fairly traded goods and have been able to send £200 to Traidcraft's charity.

Eileen Oliver & Ruth Richardson

## Prayer Calendar



December 2007		
Week 1	Own Church	We give thanks for all those who have worked on and supported the sending of Shoe Boxes via New Hope Trust
	Presbytery	Pray for the wellbeing of all the Congregations in our area and strengthen their faith and fellowship.
	World Issues	We pray for peace and harmony in our world as we look forward to the celebrations of Jesus birth.
Week 2	Own Church	Pray for the congregation and visitors at our own church, bring us closer and help us to welcome our minister back from study leave.
	Presbytery	Pray for the congregation and minister of Belhelvie Church – be with them Lord.
	World Issues	Pray for all the world leaders that they make wise decisions and choices.
Week 3	Own Church	Give thanks for the help we have had and the preaching that we have heard over the last weeks.
	Presbytery	Pray for the congregation of Cluny and Monymusk.
	World Issues	We pray for those who are without homes and without families that they find some comfort and help at this time.
Week 4	Own Church	Be with our own minister and his family at this busy festive period. Let them all feel joyful.
	Presbytery	Pray for all families with babies in our parish – let them feel special and much loved.
	World Issues	Pray for safety for all those travelling to be with family and friends at this time.

symbols. The two major symbols stemming from the early church were ICHTUS (the fish) and, later, the cross.

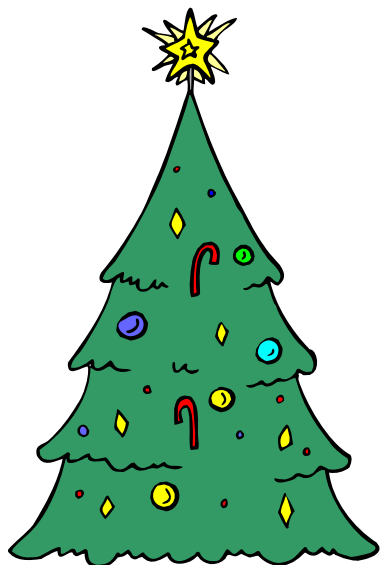


So what about Christmas for us today? If you think from the above that I'm about to pour cold water on the idea of Christmas (bah, humbug!) then you're very wrong. Christmas seeks to remind us that God's Son Jesus was born as human, that God came down to earth for our

sake because he loves us. What a great reason to celebrate! We Christians believe that God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in Him (trusts and puts their life in Him) will not die but will have eternal life (John 3:16). The Bible goes on to explain this further, "For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him" (John 3:17). How do we know that Jesus is the Saviour? One of the ways is to look at if and how he fulfills what was written about the Promised Messiah long before his birth. For example, can you imagine someone predicting with accuracy the city in which a future Prime Minister would take place in the year 2707 (seven hundred years from now)? Well that's the scale of what the prophet Micah did 700 years before the Messiah when he wrote, "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times" (Micah 5:2). How difficult do you think it would be to give precise details of the death of a new, unknown, religious leader over 1000 years from today and at the same time invent and predict a new form of execution - not currently known - by which that exact individual would die? That's what David did in 1,000BC when he wrote Psalm 22 (have a look at it). On the other hand, if you thought-up fifty specific prophecies about some person in the future that you would never meet, how difficult would it be for him to fulfill all fifty of your predictions even when at least 25 of them were completely outwith his control? It's this scale of things we're talking about when we speak of Jesus in relation to the Hebrew Scriptures of ancient days.

So what do we believe about Christmas? We believe that Love came down at Christmas, for you and all of us!

# What we believe about ... CHRISTMAS.



Christmas is an exciting time for lots of people, not just children. It is a time when we celebrate Jesus Christ's birth, although his actual date of birth is unknown. Christmas was not among the earliest festivals of the Church. It was not celebrated, commemorated, or observed by the apostles nor by the early church. In fact history reveals that only around 440 A.D. did the Church at Jerusalem commence the celebration of Christmas. It had been sufficient for the early Christians to know that Jesus, as their Lord and Saviour, had been born. They certainly praised God that Jesus Christ had come into the world, however, the day and the time of His

birth had no relevance for them because they worshipped him as the *risen, exalted* Christ – the King of Kings - who had died and rose again, not as a babe laid in a manger. So where does the celebration of Christmas in winter stem from?

December 25th was particularly important in the pre-Christian pagan cult of Mithras, a popular deity in the Old Roman Empire. Robert Myers (a proponent *for* celebrating Christmas) in his book *Celebrations*, says: "Prior to the celebration of Christmas, December 25th in the Roman world was the *Natalis Solis Invicti*, the Birthday of the unconquerable sun. "Yule" is a Chaldean word meaning "infant" and long before the coming of Christianity, the Anglo-Saxons called the 25th of December "Yule day" - in other words, "infant day" or "child's day". In the spread of Christianity this already existing celebration of *infant day* was given a new focus, the birth of the Saviour Jesus Christ as a baby in Bethlehem. Many symbols of Christmas, such as the Christmas tree, holly wreath and Yule log also have their roots in ancient beliefs and are not, in fact, Christian

# Prayer Calendar



January 2008		
Week 1	Own Church	Strengthen our resolutions and guide us in your ways at the start of the new year. Be with us throughout the year ahead.
	Presbytery	Give prayers for the work of the congregation in Huntly, linked with Strathbogie.
	World Issues	Be with all those living and working in the hills and mountainous regions.
Week 2	Own Church	Be with those who look after the fabric and beauty of our church. Thank you Lord for their dedication.
	Presbytery	Remember all those in our congregations who feel unhappy or sad, help us be a listening ear.
	World Issues	Lord, light a candle of hope for those suffering persecution for their faith and thank you for freedom to worship and meet together.
Week 3	Own Church	Pray for the continued growth and strength of people who feel called to try new tasks – especially those called to God's work.
	Presbytery	Remember the churches, congregations, and ministers of Inverurie. Be with them Lord.
	World Issues	Pray for the success and welfare of all students and young people going back to their studies and workplaces.
Week 4	Own Church	Pray for all those involved in projects and contact with the wider community – give them wisdom and energy.
	Presbytery	Give thanks for all the groups and outreach work within our Presbytery, which includes the whole church family and all age groups.
	World Issues	Pray for the ill, restricted by their health problems, mental or physical – give them the courage and grace to overcome their difficulties, so they feel more positive.

Meldrum Church Duty Rota						
Date	Door		Flowers	Finance		Flowers
	Dec	Mrs A McLean		Miss E Porch	L Stevenson	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs A Milton	Mrs M Green	J Walker	Mrs R Walker	A McCartney	Mrs W Reid
9 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Hardwick	Mrs P Patrone	Mrs D Davidson	G Stephen	Mrs W Reid	Mrs Macdonald
16 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs L Reid	Mrs I Dunbar	Mrs E Falconer	Mrs A McLean	Mrs M Philip	Christmas Flowers
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs B Webster	Mrs Bousefield	J Walker	G Smith	K Millar	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Simpson	Mrs I Reid	A McCartney	Mrs McCartney	Mrs M Dow	
Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Richardson	Mrs A Gartly	J Bruce	Mrs M Watt	Mrs E Buck	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs R Walker	W Paterson	Mrs E Adam	J Walker	Mrs L Niven	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs I Dunbar	C Simpson	Mrs S Moir	S Hill	G Stephen	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs A McLean	A Gunn	K Ingram	Mrs L Niven	J Bruce	
Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Bourtie Duty Rota</b>					
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Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Stephen	Mrs M Green	Spare			
16 <sup>th</sup>	I Peddie	Mrs Bousefield	Mrs M Green			
Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs M Green	I Peddie	Miss I Copper			
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20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Bousefield	G Stephen	Mrs S Peddie			

Meldrum Church Duty Rota						
Date	Door		Flowers	Finance		Flowers
	Dec	Mrs A McLean		Miss E Porch	L Stevenson	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs A Milton	Mrs M Green	J Walker	Mrs R Walker	A McCartney	Mrs W Reid
9 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Hardwick	Mrs P Patrone	Mrs D Davidson	G Stephen	Mrs W Reid	Mrs Macdonald
16 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs L Reid	Mrs I Dunbar	Mrs E Falconer	Mrs A McLean	Mrs M Philip	Christmas Flowers
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs B Webster	Mrs Bousefield	J Walker	G Smith	K Millar	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Simpson	Mrs I Reid	A McCartney	Mrs McCartney	Mrs M Dow	
Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Richardson	Mrs A Gartly	J Bruce	Mrs M Watt	Mrs E Buck	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs R Walker	W Paterson	Mrs E Adam	J Walker	Mrs L Niven	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs I Dunbar	C Simpson	Mrs S Moir	S Hill	G Stephen	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs A McLean	A Gunn	K Ingram	Mrs L Niven	J Bruce	
Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Bourtie Duty Rota</b>					
Date	Door		Flowers			
Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Stephen	Mrs M Green	Spare			
16 <sup>th</sup>	I Peddie	Mrs Bousefield	Mrs M Green			
Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs M Green	I Peddie	Miss I Copper			
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Bousefield	G Stephen	Mrs S Peddie			
Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Bourtie Duty Rota</b>					
Date	Door		Flowers			
Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Stephen	Mrs M Green	Spare			
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20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Bousefield	G Stephen	Mrs S Peddie			

**HOSPITAL TRANSPORT**  
 This is a service we provide to take hospital visitors to Aberdeen on Wednesdays, the Inverurie area, including Blythwood, Port Elphinstone and Badenscoth, Rothienorman on Thursdays at request of passengers. Prospective visitors should phone the volunteers on duty between 6pm & 7pm on the day before their chosen run. If for any reason you have difficulty in contacting the volunteers phone: Mrs M. Green, Mrs M. MacDonald, or Mrs R Richardson.  
 Further volunteers for this list would be very welcome.

Month	Date	Volunteer
December	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Silver
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mr K Webster
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mr T Fryers
	26 <sup>th</sup>	No volunteer – holiday
January	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs M MacDonald
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mr A McCartney
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mr K Webster
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mr T Fryers
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Silver
February	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs M MacDonald

Month	Date	Volunteer
December	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs M MacDonald
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs F Emslie
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Silver
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Mr K Webster
January	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs E Arthur
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Silver
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Silver
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Mr K Webster
February	7 <sup>th</sup>	Mr T Fryers