

NOTICES

This Afternoon:

There will be a short Bereavement Service in the church at 3pm this afternoon. This is intended for those who have lost loved ones, whether recently or not, and who would welcome a time of quiet reflection before God in the run up to Christmas. The service is expected to last around 30 minutes and there will be tea and coffee served afterwards.

Next Sunday:

Our morning service next Sunday morning is at the usual time of 10:30am and is an all-age Nativity Service. This will be followed by a 'Soup and Sandwich' lunch in the Large Hall to which everyone is most welcome. We meet to pray before the service in the Lower Hall between 10:00 and 10:15 as usual. Our Carol Service is at 7pm next Sunday evening. This service will be held here at St Columba's and will be a joint service with Home Church. Please do invite friends and family.

This Week:

Singing Group: The Singing Group meet to practice in the Lounge tomorrow evening, Monday 9th December at 7:00pm.

Men's Group: The Men's Group meet tomorrow evening, Monday 9th December, at 7:30pm for a Games Evening.

Midweek Service: Our Midweek Service takes place from 10:00 till 10:35 on Tuesday 10th December.

The Guild: The Guild meet for their Christmas Lunch at Kirkintilloch Golf Club on Tuesday 10th December.

Friendship Club: The Friendship Club for children with learning difficulties meets at 6:30pm on Wednesday 11th December.

Little Fishes: The 'Little Fishes' Carer and Toddler Group meets on Friday 13th December at 10am.

The Wise Men: We are delighted to be welcoming 'Out the Box', an Inverness-based puppet and performing arts charity, to perform 'The Wise Men' at 6:30pm on Friday 13th December. 'The Wise Men' is a cross between a pantomime and a nativity play. The show, which lasts around an hour, is suitable for all ages and primary-aged children especially. Please make use of the flyers in the church to spread the word about this event – especially to families with young children you may know. There is no need to book in advance.

The Boys' Brigade: The Boys' Brigade will be at 'The Wise Men' this Friday.

B.B. Post Box; This is situated in the hall's vestibule 'till Sunday 15 December – minimum 30p per card.

Also:

Here are some dates for your diary for some of the Christmas services at St Columba's not already mentioned:

Sun 22 nd Dec	10:30am	Family Service
Tues 24 th Dec	4:00pm	Family Christmas Eve Service
Tues 24 th Dec	11:30pm	Watchnight Service
(with refreshments served from 10:30pm)		
Wed 25 th Dec	10:30am	Christmas Day Service

Duly Office Bearers **Today** Evan Glass, Moira Lang, Janet Brown, Margaret Blair.

Welcomers Una Galbraith

Duty Office Bearers **Next Week** Mairi Thomson, George Kidd, Rhondda Geekie, Brian Ashcroft.
Welcomers Geraldine Fox

Coffee Time **Today** D Hall Team **Next Week** J Muir Team

Flower Donations The Swann Family Janet Muir & Janet Brown

Flower Deliveries Christine Grant Mr & Mrs I Muir

St Columba's Parish Church
Sunday 8 December 2019
To know Him and make Him known

We warmly welcome you to our Sunday Morning Service. Our minister Rev Philip Wright will lead us in worship this morning. Do join us for tea, coffee, juice and biscuits in the Church Hall following the Service. There is a crèche available for children aged 4 and under.

Welcome & Notices

Song: Make way, make way (MP 457)

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Children's Talk

Song: Meekness and majesty (MP 465)

Offering

Reading 1: Genesis 23:1-20

Song: There is a hope (MP 1358)

Reading 2: Genesis 25:1-11

Prayer

Song: O come, O come Emmanuel (MP 493)

Sermon

Song: Thou didst leave Thy throne (MP 697)

Benediction

**Our Father, who is in Heaven, hallowed be your Name.
Your Kingdom come; Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver
us from evil.
For Yours are the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

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