

# *The Bulletin*



## **Cruden Parish Church Spring 2020**

[www.crudenchurch.org.uk](http://www.crudenchurch.org.uk)

Registered Scottish Charity SC006408

## Diary Dates Spring 2020

Worship services will continue every Sunday in the Church at 10 am

### MARCH

- Sunday 1st            Time for Prayer – Mary Garden Room 11.15 am
- Tuesday 3rd            Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  
                                  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
- Wednesday 4th        Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 10th            Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am
- Thursday 12th         Guilds Together AGM  
                                  Peterhead New Parish Church      Sailor's Society
- Tuesday 17th            Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  
                                  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
- Thursday 19th         Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
- Tuesday 24th            Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am
- Sunday 29th            MORNING SERVICE  
                                  Sacrament of Holy Communion
- Monday 30th            Guild in Hall 7.30 pm  
                                  Apostleship of the Sea      Deacon Doug Duncan
- Tuesday 31st            Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  
                                  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm

### APRIL

- Wednesday 1st        Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm
- Sunday 5th            Time for Prayer – Mary Garden Room 11.15 am
- Friday 10th            GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7 pm
- Sunday 12th            EASTER SERVICE

Tuesday 14th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Tuesday 21st	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am
Thursday 23rd	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Sunday 26th	Guild Sponsored Walk
Monday 27th	Guild AGM in Hall 7.30 pm Entertainment
Tuesday 28th	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm

**MAY**

Sunday 3rd	MORNING SERVICE including the Annual Stated Meeting  Time for Prayer – Mary Garden Room 11.15 am
Tuesday 5th	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am
Wednesday 6th	Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm
Sunday 10th	Christian Aid Service
Tuesday 12th	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Tuesday 19th	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am
Thursday 21st	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Tuesday 26th	Walking for Wellness – St Olaf Hotel 10.30am  Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Sunday 31st	MORNING SERVICE Sacrament of Holy Communion

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**ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

With this Bulletin, members should find the annual commitment card. Members are asked to participate in the campaign by returning a card when their visitor calls in the next three weeks.

## **RETIRING AND SERVING**

We would thank for their service over the last year the members who are due to retire at this year's Annual Meeting

**Mr James Hyman, Mrs Fiona Stephen**

Members who continue to serve on our Session Committees are:

**Mr Ken Bruce, Mr George Hall, Mrs Lorraine Neilson, Mrs Debbie Mackintosh, Mrs Maureen Reid, Mrs Helen Smith,.**

As always, those nominated at the Annual Stated Meeting should either be present to declare their willingness to accept nomination or have given previous assurance that they are willing to serve.

**AT THE ANNUAL MEETING THERE WILL BE 3 VACANCIES TO FILL**

If there are more nominations than vacancies, those nominated will retire to the vestry and voting will be done by a show of hands.

## **2019 ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

The Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator has laid down its requirements for the presentation of charity accounts. Compliance is required to maintain charitable status. All Church of Scotland congregations are obliged to present an Annual Report which involves much more than the presentation of figures. The Kirk Session has decided that because of the size of the annual report, only the two page summary in the middle of this Bulletin will be issued to members. A full copy of the Annual Report can be had from the church welcome area or by requesting a copy from the Treasurer.

### **ANNUAL STATED MEETING of CRUDEN PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 3 May 2020  
(as part of the morning service)**

**PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS**

**ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON SESSION COMMITTEES**

"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

**Martin Luther King**



## **FROM THE MINISTER**

Dear Friends

I was recently reflecting on what we as a congregation have been up to over the past twelve months. The list of activities and events is rather surprising but as space is very limited, I have been instructed to keep this letter short and sweet!

Our work of offering a Christian presence to the local communities includes the ongoing work of Messy Church, a new children's summer holiday club in Cruden Bay based on games and sport and a similar club held in Hatton during the Autumn school holiday. A Buttery & Boot Camp morning in Hatton raised about £500 for Christian Aid. During the Christmas season we held a Watchnight Service at the church (attended by a number of visitors) and on Boxing Day the church supported the Hatton Area Residents' Association (HARA) in a community Christmas event combining carols, a quiz, games and a unique retelling of the nativity story.

The faith and spirituality of the congregation was enriched with a well-attended evening service for Advent shared with our local ecumenical partners, plus a study group exploring some of the key doctrinal and historical beliefs of the Christian Faith. Our numbers remain buoyant at regular Sunday worship and we have been delighted to welcome new members, including three by profession of faith. There have been a number of key life events, including weddings, one adult baptism and funerals.

The congregation is also getting healthier! Along with the Sunday afternoon walks, a new weekly walking for health and well-being group has also been created promoting regular moderate activity, plus exercises to develop flexibility, coordination and balance. The minister has also started a weekly outdoor fitness group meeting on a Wednesday evening at Mill Park which includes boxercise, slam balls, power bags and battle ropes. (It is hard work but great fun!)

There is so much more that could be mentioned, the upgrade to the church lighting and the work of the Guild and Craft Group. Behind all this effort and activity is the call of God to reach out beyond ourselves and the confines of congregational life. In the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) Jesus instructed his disciples to go, to reach beyond their friends and families and fellowships and to share the Good News.

With warmest greetings,

**Rev Sean Swindells,**

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**Cruden Parish Church**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

**Year ended 31 December 2019**

	Note	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
		2019 General	2019 Fabric/Organ 12 & 13	2019 Activities (see over)	<u>Fund</u> 2019 Burnett	2019	2018
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>							
Donations	4	45,874.59	490.50	1,535.74	0.00	47,900.83	48,976.32
Legacies		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds Generation		235.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	235.12	1,027.00
Interest		0.00	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.41	0.11
Investment income		174.94	550.00	0.00	0.00	724.94	750.30
Rental of premises		375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375.00	495.00
Weddings & Funerals		340.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	340.00	500.00
Grant and Loan		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Receipts		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b><u>Total Receipts</u></b>		<b>46,999.65</b>	<b>1,040.91</b>	<b>1,535.74</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>49,576.30</b>	<b>51,748.73</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>							
Costs of generating funds	5	231.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	231.87	239.67
Charitable activities		46,762.58	6,337.44	2,220.41	250.00	55,570.43	36,360.95
Loan Repayment		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b><u>Total Payments</u></b>		<b>46,994.45</b>	<b>6,337.44</b>	<b>2,220.41</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>55,802.30</b>	<b>36,600.62</b>
<b>Surplus for the year before transfers</b>		<b>5.20</b>	<b>-5,296.53</b>	<b>-684.67</b>	<b>-250.00</b>	<b>-6,226.00</b>	<b>15,148.11</b>
<b>Transfers</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		<b>£5.20</b>	<b>-£5,296.53</b>	<b>-£684.67</b>	<b>-£250.00</b>	<b>-£6,226.00</b>	<b>£15,148.11</b>



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**Cruden Parish Church****STATEMENT OF BALANCES**

		Year ended 31 December			2019			
		Unrestricted Funds			Endowment Fund	Total	Total	
		2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018	
		General	Fab/Org 12 & 13	Activities	Burnett			
<b>Bank Balances</b>	Note							
Brought forward		74,452.49	20,587.56	7,359.70	1,070.46	103,470.21	88,352.41	
Surplus for the year		5.20	-5,296.53	-684.67	-250.00	-6,226.00	15,148.11	
Carried forward	Note 7	<b>£74,457.69</b>	<b>£15,291.03</b>	<b>£6,675.03</b>	<b>£820.46</b>	<b>£97,244.21</b>	<b>£103,500.52</b>	
<b>Investments at market value</b>	Note							
(cost £ 8,352.20)	8	5,630.40	13,750.00	0.00	0.00	19,380.40	18,217.00	
<b>Assets</b>								
Gift Aid Receivable		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
<b>Liabilities</b>								
								None

The accounts approved by the Kirk Session on 12 February 2020

Signed for and on behalf of the Kirk Session

**Robert M Esson**

**Session Clerk**

**Rosemary Pittendrigh**

**Treasurer**

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**2019 Activities Funds**

<b>Income</b>	Flower	Junior Church	Guild	Messy Church	Totals
Donations	30.00	45.00	1,079.00	381.74	1,535.74
Legacies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank & Deposit interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>30.00</u>	<u>45.00</u>	<u>1,079.00</u>	<u>381.74</u>	<u>1,535.74</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Charitable activities	98.76	75.00	1,571.00	475.65	2,220.41
Other costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>98.76</u>	<u>75.00</u>	<u>1,571.00</u>	<u>475.65</u>	<u>2,220.41</u>
<b>Surplus</b>	-68.76	-30.00	-492.00	-93.91	-684.67
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<u>159.39</u>	<u>4,715.37</u>	<u>1,085.12</u>	<u>1,399.82</u>	<u>7,359.70</u>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	90.63	4,685.37	593.12	1,305.91	6,675.03

## THE GUILD



The first meeting of the Guild in 2020 continued with the theme “Companions on the road” with our guest speaker , Mark Morgan from Stella’s Voice. This charity originated with the need in Eastern Europe to help vulnerable children and adults from being subjected to abuse, trafficking and prostitution. Stella was one such adult who benefitted from the charity’s help and the charity was named after her. Mark told us of the loads of furniture, household goods etc. transported by lorry to Moldova. This has been ongoing for many years and the charity supports orphanages in Moldova. Mark told us that they also help those in need locally and welcome any donations of furniture, clothes and household items to their charity superstore, The Barn at Faith Acres Peterhead. Stella’s Voice provides care, education and jobs to protect the world’s most vulnerable from human traffickers.

The Guild held a brunch after the church service on January 26th in aid of Christian Aid where bacon and sausage rolls, coffee and tea were served. The excellent sum of £240 was raised.

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### Cruden Church Walks

29 March	Arnage to Ellon
26 April	White Cow Woods (Guild Sponsored Walk)
31 May	Dunnottar Castle and Woods
21 June	Banchory to Crathes
23 August	Udny Green Circular
20 September	River Don, Beach and Old Aberdeen via Seton Park
18 October	Gadle Braes and Buchanhaven Circular, Peterhead

Come along and enjoy these leisurely walks. It doesn’t matter if you come to just one walk or all the walks, you will be most welcome. We usually leave after Morning Worship or if you prefer, meet up at the destination car park. Everyone is responsible for their own food. We usually enjoy a picnic lunch when we reach the destination car park before we set out on the walk. Once the walk is over there is an opportunity to stop at a café for refreshments.

For more information on the walks please contact  
Maureen Esson on 01779 813049 or 07949792233.





## **Christian Aid Week 10-16 May 2020**

**The Christian Aid Service will be held on Sunday 10 May**

With no house to house being carried out again this year, a Christian Aid envelope is enclosed for your consideration. If you wish to donate, it would be greatly appreciated if you could return the envelope or telephone for collection to any of the following:

**Rosemary Reid, 11 Manse Road, Hatton – Tel: 841531**

**Hatton Market, Station Road, Hatton**

**Rosemary Pittendrigh, 21 Links View, Cruden Bay – Tel: 812220**

**Mary Bratton, 169 Braehead Drive, Cruden Bay –Tel: 812573**

**Post Office, Main Street, Cruden Bay**

**Cruden Parish Church**

**Or donate online at [caweek.org](http://caweek.org) or call 08080006006**

**“Together we stop this climate crisis”.**

*Sadly, millions of people in Kenya are desperately struggling to survive drought. It's now a national emergency. Your gifts this Christian Aid Week could help them survive this devastation drought, by helping to build a dam, providing a long-lasting source of water. With every gift, with every prayer, with every voice we stop this climate crisis.*

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## **MESSY CHURCH**

Each month the banner on the Hatton Public Hall railings announces that it's Messy Church time. The children and their helpers always have a great time with stories, crafts, music and lots of fun. We meet on Thursday afternoons after school at 3.30 pm in Hatton Public Hall.

**Future Meeting:**

Thursday 19th March, Thursday 23rd April, Thursday 21st May



## PARISH REGISTER

### DEATHS

Mrs Myra Winton, Bayview Care Home, Cruden Bay

Mrs Sarah Petticrew, North Howe of Skelmuir, Mintlaw

## HOLY COMMUNION

**29 March 10 am**

Duty Elders: Kate Clark, Jim MacDonald,  
Adrian Smith, Kathleen Craig

**31 May 10 am**

Duty Elders: Beatrice Fawkes, Irene Will, Adrian Smith, Maureen Esson



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## CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group finished the session with a most enjoyable Christmas lunch at the St Olaf Hotel in Cruden Bay and restarted in January when we were delighted to welcome a new member to the group. Seven blankets and a bag of twiddle muffs were handed over to the dementia nurse to help in her work in ARI. We will continue to support her this year as well as our ongoing work for the Blythswood Christmas boxes, with the emphasis being on scarves and gloves.



It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold, when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade.

**Charles Dickens** from *Great Expectations*

The next issue of the Bulletin will be published at the beginning of June. Please send all material to be included before **Sunday 24 May 2020** to: Fred Coutts, Ladebank, 1 Manse Place, Hatton AB42 0UQ

# Sunday Morning Duties 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas
1 March	Maureen Esson Robert Esson	Mary Bratton	Joyce Walker Allan Walker
8 March	Maureen Esson Robert Esson	Maureen Esson	Liz Carnie Elma Cumming
15 March	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Sheena Innes	Kathleen Craig Iris Durno
22 March	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Irene Will	Norma Forman June Morrison
29 March	Rosemary Reid Katherine Hyman	Beatrice Fawkes	Irene Stott Fred Stott
5 April	Rosemary Reid Katherine Hyman	Elma Watson Mary McNaughtan	Beatrice Fawkes Marilyn Samways
12 April	Carol Paul Stewart Paul	Irene Stott	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce
19 April	Carol Paul Stewart Paul	Kathleen Craig	Mary Bratton Doreen Buchan
26 April	Joyce Willox Adrian Smith	Norma Forman	Elma Cumming Kathleen Craig
3 May	Joyce Willox Adrian Smith	Betty Forrester	Iris Durno Beatrice Fawkes
10 May	Mary Bratton Mary McNaughtan	Trish Smith	Norma Forman June Morrison
17 May	Mary Bratton Mary McNaughtan	Anne McNaughton	Margaret Adams Rosemary Reid
24 May	Beatrice Fawkes Robert Petticrew	Muriel Cantlay	Joyce Walker Allan Walker
31 May	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce	Betty Morris	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen
7 June	Beatrice Fawkes Robert Petticrew		Katherine Hyman Mary Bratton

14 June

Service at St James' Church at 9.30 am

## Reminder to those on duty.

If you are unable to do door or tea duties,  
please endeavour to find someone to do them for you.

**Minister:** Rev Sean Swindells

**SSwindells@churchofscotland.org.uk**

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<b>Session Clerk</b>	Robert Esson	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Rosemary Pittendrigh	
<b>Contact Elders</b>	Betty Forrester	Hatton
	Beatrice Fawkes	Hatton
	Joyce Willox	Hatton
	Muriel Cantlay	Rural
	Robert Petticrew	Rural
	Robert Esson	Peterhead
	Maureen Esson	Cruden Bay
	Kate Clark	Cruden Bay
	Kathleen Craig	Cruden Bay
<b>Gift Aid Treasurer</b>	Muriel Cantlay	
<b>Bulletin</b>	Fred Coutts	
	<a href="mailto:bulletin@crudenchurch.org.uk">bulletin@crudenchurch.org.uk</a>	
<b>Christian Aid</b>	Rosemary Pittendrigh	
<b>Cleaning</b>	Rosemary Pittendrigh	
<b>Communion</b>	Adrian Smith	
	Joyce Willox	
<b>Flowers</b>	Betty Forrester	
<b>Guild</b>	Muriel Cantlay	
<b>Life and Work</b>	Rosemary Pittendrigh	
<b>Messy Church</b>	Kathleen Craig	
<b>Organist</b>	Stephen Calder	
<b>Presbytery Elder</b>	Katherine Hyman	
<b>Press Officer</b>	Mary Bratton	
<b>Roll Keeper</b>	Mary McNaughtan	
<b>Safeguarding</b>	Kathleen Craig	
<b>Teas</b>	Beatrice Fawkes	
<b>Transport</b>	Robert Esson	Hatton
	Rosemary Pittendrigh	Cruden Bay
<b>Walks</b>	Maureen Esson	
<b>WFO Treasurer</b>	Carol Paul	

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**Committee Conveners**

<b>Education &amp; Worship</b>	Katherine Hyman
<b>Finance</b>	Rosemary Pittendrigh
<b>Membership and Outreach</b>	Kathleen Craig
<b>Property</b>	Peter Slamaker
<b>Social</b>	Betty Forrester