



Christmas Services



Sunday 18th December

St John's Nativity Service 11.15am

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Carol Concert with St Columba's Choir

7.30pm at St John's

Entry by ticket only - available from The Lighthouse

Saturday 24th December

St John's Christingle Service 6.30pm

Dairsie Carol Service 8.30pm

St John's Watchnight Service 11.30pm

Sunday 25th December

St John's Short Family Service 10am

Thursday 29th December

Dairsie "Carols and Stories" 2pm

Sunday 1st January 2017

Joint Service with Cupar Old 11.15am at St John's

All welcome to all Services

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ST JOHN'S & DAIRSIE UNITED PARISH CHURCH

United in Faith. United in Love.

Sunday 11th December at 11.15am

3rd Sunday of Advent

ORDER OF SERVICE

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn 282 *Christmas is coming (seated)*

Call to Worship

Hymn 279 *Make way*

Prayer

Hymn 320 *Joy to the world*

Reading: Luke 1:5-14

Hymn 310 *The Calypso Carol*

Message: Perfect people in a perfect world

Hymn 314 *Child in a manger*

Baptism

Parents: Gareth Everett 7 Cassie-Louise Janet Paul

Child: Nathan Michael David Everett

Hymn 796 *The Lord bless you and keep you*

Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 324 *Angels from the realms of glory*

Benediction

Ubi caritas et amor

Ubi caritas Deus ibi est

Where there is love, selfless love

where there is love, there is God our Lord

CHURCH NEWS

Welcome!

We offer a very warm welcome to everyone who gathers for worship this morning. A special welcome to the family and friends of Nathan who will be baptised during the service at St John's.

Please stay for tea and coffee after the service at St John's.

If this is your first time at St John's and Dairsie, or you are visiting the area, please sign our Welcome Book. These can be found in the vestibule at Dairsie and on the table in the side chapel at St John's.

Bible Reading

In December, we suggest the book of Luke.

Christmas Cards

There will be a Christmas Card delivery as usual this year. Cards may be handed in this morning and tomorrow, Monday 12th, from 10am to 3pm. They can be picked up for delivery on the Tuesday from 11am to 12noon or the Wednesday from 10-11am. The price will again be 20p per card.

There is a list of the districts on the table. Please indicate which districts you can cover for delivery.

Ladies Group

The Ladies Group Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, 14th December at 7.30pm. Anyone wishing to attend please give their name to Eileen Fairbairn, Tel: 656195.

Elmview Ward Christmas Party

We are looking for some carol singers for our ward Christmas Party on Wednesday 14th December at 2pm. Elmview Ward in Stratheden Hospital looks after elderly patients with different stages of dementia. Christmas carols would go down a treat at their party. If you come along for an hour to sing some Christmas songs and carols, please speak to Jan Steyn.

Carol Service

Friends of St Columba's Community Choir with guests, St Columba's School Choir will lead a service in St John's on Sunday December 18th at 7.30pm. Expected to be a sellout, tickets are selling fast and are available from the Lighthouse. Proceeds to Age Concern and Mary's Meals.

Christingles

The christingles will be made on Friday 23rd December at 3pm in the church hall. Elaine Lyden and Fiona Jarrett are taking over the organisation and would welcome your support. With enough help and good humour it should only take around an hour to make them.

Carols and Stories

On Thursday 29th December - the Fifth Day of Christmas. Gather in the Church in Dairsie at 2pm for "Carols and Stories". Familiar songs interspersed with readings and poems, then a cup of tea and festive fare in the Church Hall. An informal afternoon - come as you are, bring your family, bring your neighbours. Everyone welcome.

New Year's Day Walk

On Sunday 1st January, the New Year's Day Walk leaves from the Church in Dairsie at 2pm. It's a short walk on country roads - you will need strong footwear. Even if you can't manage the walk, please join us for tea or coffee in the Church Hall when we get back at around 2.45pm.

Flower Calendar

The flower calendar for 2017 is now available in the vestibule. Anyone wishing to donate flowers please add your name & telephone no. Contact Olivia Fraser if you require further details Tel. 01334 654707

Situations Vacant

We require volunteers to do the overall count of the collections and the banking of the same. If we could get 2 volunteers it would only mean having to do it one month a year. If anyone is interested and would like to see what is involved please come through to the Session Room on a Sunday after the service where the count takes place - coffee and biscuits provided!

Refreshment Group

If anyone would like to join the Refreshment Team please let me know, and if anyone wishes their Rota by email, please contact me via email at flypiggyfly@hotmail.com Thanks, Marianne Berghuis

Items for Church News

Please contact Roma More, email romamore@hotmail.co.uk or tel. 656379, or Mary Campbell Brown, email campbellbrowns@btinternet.com by Thursday evening if you have items for inclusion in the Church News.

