



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

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Message from Keith



Dear Friends

Last month we celebrated three 'Celebration Nights' for church members and a fourth for those associated with our organisations along with friends from the community. These nights provided a great opportunity for us to pause and give thanks for all that has been achieved and also to reflect on how our wonderful refurbished building can be used in the future.

Although we await with anticipation the Dedication of our refurbished building by the Moderator of the Church of Scotland on Sunday 18 December, it is great to be at the stage now of actually using the lovely spaces we have available to us. The organisations of our church family are already enjoying the new halls and the sanctuary is providing a fantastic home for our worship services.

The month of November is always important for the opportunity it provides for Remembrance. It continues to be essential that we pause for a moment to acknowledge with gratitude those who gave their lives to secure a more peaceful world. We also acknowledge the debt to those who survived past wars and yet carried with them the horror of the experiences they witnessed and endured.

While a more peaceful world moved a step closer as the result of these efforts, we recognise that today the world still struggles to be a place of peace for all.

Today, men and women from our Armed Forces remain in active service all across the world and these brave and courageous young men and women need our prayers now as much as those who have served before them.

The church is a place where we bring all this before the God who listens and continues to love.

Although the setting is a little different – within a sanctuary that is modern, light and welcoming – the Remembrance Sunday service remains an integral part of our Church life and worship and this year we continue with the tradition of honouring service men and women from the past and those of the present.

'We will remember them'.

God bless

Keith

Remembrance Sunday Prayer



Loving God, in a world where justice has not rolled down as waters nor righteousness as a mighty stream, where knowledge floods in, but there is only a trickle of wisdom, we pray for this Church.

Turn our efforts to good, so that as our understanding increases, our sense of responsibility will deepen and we will complete our time here having made the world more habitable and ourselves more humane.

We pray this, O God, in the power of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Blessing

Life ebbs and flows,
the beginning becomes the end,
the end becomes a new beginning.
May God bless us
in our coming and our going.

Acknowledgement :This extract is taken from "Living Stones : Pray Now " and is used with permission. "Living Stones" publications are available from www.standrewpress.com

Prayer at Mannofield

A group meets every Wednesday morning at 10am in the sanctuary. All are welcome.



We also have a confidential prayer circle you can contact if you would like prayer on a particular day, for a particular issue or for a friend.

Interested?

Please contact Anne Thompson on ☎01224 681384 or anne@thompsonaberdeen.com or the Church Office.

Church Offering Plate Lamb and Flag denotes sacrifice

In St John' Gospel 1:29, John the Baptist on sighting Christ, exclaims "*Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world*".



The Lamb is Christ and the flag which the lamb is portrayed as carrying is of the patron saint of England, St George.

The combination of a lamb and the flag of St George was also the symbol for the Knights Templars.

Poppyscotland Appeal

There will be a retiring collection on Remembrance Sunday for the Poppyscotland Appeal.



Gift Aid forms will be available.

CHRISTMAS SING ALONG Balmanno Hall

Monday 5 December
2.00 – 3.30pm

ALL ARE WELCOME



Come and enjoy an afternoon of Christmas music and refreshments.

No charge but donations appreciated.

Free tickets available soon on Sundays or from the church office, or call Jane ☎ 01224 315144
Don't miss it !

Christmas Bazaar Balmanno Hall

Join us to celebrate our first Christmas in our new buildings
Saturday 3 December
2-5pm

Fun activities for all the family

Baking and Cookies

Santa's Grotto

Refreshments with International

Christmas Food

And lots more!!



CHURCH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

Sun 6 10am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Service

Wed 9 10.30am Midweek Service

Sun 13 10am Morning Worship
Remembrance Sunday



Wed 16 10.30am Midweek Service

Sun 20 10am Morning Worship
Guild Dedication

4.30pm **Café Church**

Wed 23 10.30am Midweek Service

Sun 27 10am Morning Worship
 Family Communion



1st Sunday in Advent

3.15pm Craiguelea Gardens
 Led by the Guild

Wed 30 10.30am Midweek Service

Sun 4 10am Morning Worship
 December Gift Service

TBC Christmas Carols
 Tree lights switch on

MANNOFIELD LUNCH CLUB

Thursday 17 November

Balmanno Hall

Lunch served 1pm

Entertainment 2-3pm

Cuppa at 2.30pm

Cost: £5

All welcome

Need transport?

Contact: Lynn Allan

☎ 01224 323206



FLOWER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

6 Mrs. N. Anderson
 13 Miss. F. Walker
 20 Mrs. M. Milton
 27 Miss Joan Youngson's
 legacy



Chrysanthemum
 November's
 Flower

DECEMBER

4 Mrs. M. Hunter

MANNOFIELD GUILD

November Diary

Thurs 3 Coffee Morning,
 Balmanno Hall, 10am
 Tues 8 Guild Meeting 7.30pm
 Laura Walker
Gentle Exercise
 Sat 19 Christmas Fayre & Coffee Morning,
 Balmanno Hall, 10am
 Sun 20 Guild Dedication at
 Morning Worship 10am



CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

Deaths:

29 Aug Mrs. Jean Harris
 6 Sept Mr. Colin Gibb
 18 Sept Miss Erica Mackenzie

Don't worry Abram,
 your descendants will
 outnumber the stars.

WOW...

CHRISTMAS
 SHOPPING IS
 GOING TO
 BANKRUPT ME.