



*I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are always happy to have visitors with us in Cregagh; and we welcome any who may be worshipping with us today. We would invite our visitors to sign the Visitor's Book in the Church Vestibule, giving name and full postal address. This morning any parents with young babies are invited to make use of the Creche or KidZone (in the Stewart Hall) for 3 year olds upwards who leave church after the baptism and hymn.

### THIS MORNING'S BAPTISM

The baby baptised this morning is ADA LILY, the infant daughter of Mr & Mrs A Diver, 8 Fort Manor, Dundonald.

### PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

This evening's Prayer and Bible Study as announced last Sunday has been postponed until January.

### COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is open in the Allen Hall after this morning's service and all are invited to stay behind for some refreshments.

### PRE-SERVICE COFFEE BAR

You are reminded that morning coffee, tea and toast are served in the McIntyre Suite each Sunday before Morning Worship.



### TODAY'S CHURCH FLOWERS



The Pedestal flowers which are provided Mrs Elaine Peel are 'In Memory of Sam and Florence Dalzell'

The Sanctuary flowers provided by Mr David Douglas are 'In Memory of John'

### WALK AND TALK

Walk and talk will have a stroll on Tuesday at the Connswater Greenaway leaving the church at 10.00 a.m. All welcome.

### OFFICE HOURS

There will be no 'Office Hours' this week due to the Christmas Tree Festival but Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday week, 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open for private prayer and meditation on Friday from 10.30 am – 12.00 noon.

### NEXT SUNDAY

Morning Service at 11.00 a.m.

The Annual Advent Service of Readings and Carols with the combined choirs of St Columbas Parish and Cregagh Churches.

Evening Service at 5.00 p.m.

Service to mark the end of the Christmas Tree Festival

CREGAGH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

*Joy to the world*

**OPEN TO PUBLIC**

- THURS 28 NOV 7.30PM OPENING SERVICE
- FRI 29 NOV 10AM-8PM 11AM CREGAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL, HEARING IMPAIRED UNIT CHOIR
- SAT 30 NOV 10AM-8PM 11.30AM MEMBERS OF THE SALVATION ARMY BAND
- SUN 1 DEC 2PM-5PM 4PM CREGAGH HANDBELL CHOIR 5PM CLOSING SERVICE

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**REFRESHMENTS**

- MORNING COFFEE
- LUNCHES
- AFTERNOON TEAS







### CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 'BEFORE AND AFTER'

Some more volunteers are required to act as stewards during the opening times of the festival. If you can help please give your name to Maureen Mulligan or Barbara Dunlop today

Organisations and groups are reminded that times for decorating their trees are Monday (2.00 – 8.00 p.m.), Tuesday and Wednesday (10.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m.) It is requested that the trees will be dismantled and church tidied up on the Sunday evening after the 5.00 p.m. service.

There will be a number of Christmas trees available for sale (£20 each) after the festival and these may be reserved by contacting Maureen Mulligan as soon as possible; and may be collected on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m. or 7.00 – 8.30 p.m.

## TIS THE SEASON!

“Thank you to everyone for the constant number of coppers placed in the jars in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite. Keep them coming! These contributions help supply fortified porridge to little ones at Chifundo3 in Blantyre.

There are also some delightful Christmas cards in the Vestibule featuring one of the children who will benefit from their sale. His name is Matthews Ben. If you can buy just one or two cards you would really be helping. The suggested minimum donation is 80p to cover the cost of the printing run. Your donation can go in the Pence for Porridge jar. Here’s hoping we have to print some more! With Christmas coming they might get a bit of chicken with that porridge.” (Sheena Stewart)

## BIBLE STUDY COPIES

Copies of previous Sunday evening Bible Study notes by Rev McKenzie are available in hard copy or can be emailed. Anyone wishing to receive these are asked to sign their name and email address (if applicable) on the sheets in the Church Vestibule or McIntyre Suite.

## SUNDAY BIBLE READING

It is the intention to have a member of the congregation reading the first scripture lesson at most morning services. If you would be willing to assist in this way please advise Michael Graham as soon as possible so that suitable dates can be arranged.

## ROTAS FOR 2020

Rotas for 2020 are now being arranged and anyone wishing to volunteer to help or have their name removed from a rota should please advise the convenors within the next week or two.

<u>Little Pebbles Creche:</u>	Cathy McCormick or Avril Pollock
<u>Sunday Service Bible Carrying Duty:</u>	Michael Graham
<u>Weekly Church Flower Delivery:</u>	Michael Graham
<u>Mid-week Welcome Area Door Duty:</u>	Barbara Dunlop

## DECEMBER DUTY ROTAS

KIRK SESSION – Joan Taylor, Beth McNair, Robert McNair, Beth McCluskey, Anne Sheppard and Anne Graham (Team Leader)

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE – Ivan Taylor, Dorothy Elliott, Peter Armstrong, Lauren Fincham, Murray Dalzell, Andrew Todd, James McCormick and Jim Hill (Deputy Leaders) and Ruth Hill (Leader)

CRECHE – (1<sup>st</sup>) Elaine Gillespie and Claire Gillespie (8<sup>th</sup>) May Gordon and Karen Simpson (15<sup>th</sup>) Miriam Sheppard and Carolien McMillen (22<sup>nd</sup>) Sheila Beatie and Hilary Scott (29<sup>th</sup>) Cathy McCormick and James McCormick.

FLOWER DELIVERY – (1<sup>st</sup>) Lily Taylor and Sheena Stewart (8<sup>th</sup>) Rosemary Carlisle and Percy Chambers.

AFTER CHURCH COFFEE BAR – (1<sup>st</sup>) Mothers and Toddlers/Jenny Mooney (8<sup>th</sup>) PW/Robyn McCullough (15<sup>th</sup>) KidZone/Karen McCurry (22<sup>nd</sup>) Guides/Brownies/Rainbows/Rebecca Clarke (29<sup>th</sup>) Choir/Praise Group/Handbell Choir/Maureen Mulligan

WELCOME AREA DOOR – (4<sup>th</sup>) Harry and Sheena Stewart (5<sup>th</sup>) Elaine Gillespie (11<sup>th</sup>) Raymond and Sandra Wallace (12<sup>th</sup>) Cheryl Cowling (18<sup>th</sup>) Chris Clay (19<sup>th</sup>) Alan and Angela Watson



## Weekly News Sheet Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019



*‘God tends his flock like a shepherd:  
He gathers the lambs in his arms  
and carries them close to his heart;  
he gently leads those that have young’*

Isaiah 40:11

TODAY'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. in the Church  
Rev Edward McKenzie and the Praise Group  
Sacrament of Baptism

Scripture Readings: Acts 2: 29-41 and Genesis 17: 1-13

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