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(Church of Scotland),
Inverurie

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Dear Friends,

I recently returned from a beautiful holiday in Norway. The weather was superb and the scenery magnificent. Lots of good food and a few glasses of wine so unfortunately the waistline has expanded but hey ho life is too short not to enjoy it to the full!

Whenever I go on holiday I buy a fridge magnet with a picture of the place I have visited. I have magnets from Australia, Singapore, Thailand, Canada, America, Italy, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Holland and many from across Scotland and England. I have been extremely lucky to have been able to travel all over the world. I have a fridge covered in these magnets, and they are great reminders of all those wonderful places I have seen, and all the memories of happy times spent there.

Looking at the magnets and the way they draw you in to look at them and remember the places is like Jesus who to me was like a magnet. As a young girl who was interested in the church and went, Sunday by Sunday, to Sunday School, I was drawn into this person called Jesus and could picture him in my mind's eye. As a teenager he became part of my life and he has walked with me every step of my journey to where I am today. He was, and is, my magnet.

When Jesus called his first disciples what drew them to leave everything behind and follow him? He had that

special way and spoke to them with a voice which pulled them to him and they followed. Jesus went from place to place drawing in the crowds, telling them stories and painting pictures through his parables and they felt that pull like a magnet to follow him. That strong feeling of being drawn closer to Jesus is like the strong pull of my magnets which makes me want to look at them often and recall wonderful memories.

When Jesus performed his miracles, each miracle was like a magnet, drawing others to come to Jesus to be healed, fed, renewed and loved. That magnetic power of Jesus was so strong that people were drawn to him from all over. As followers of Jesus he gave us wonderful memories through the words written in the Bible and through the disciples going out and spreading the word. But ... most of all through the sacrifice Jesus himself made for each one of us by giving his life on a cross and triumphantly rising so that we might know life eternal with him in his kingdom.

Today people are still drawn to Jesus searching for something to help them along life's way. Through the wonderful memories given to us we can walk side by side with him each day pulled together like a magnet. Yes, my magnets remind me of so many places I have been to, but they also remind me of Jesus and the place I will be called to.

With my love and prayers, Sheila

CROSS REACH

Care you can put your faith in

If you have ever gone through for tea/coffee and a fine piece after the Sunday service you may have noticed some posters on the wall about things that are happening with Crossreach.

Surprisingly not many ordinary members of congregations know or recognise that Crossreach is the Social care arm of the Church of Scotland. What that means is that they provide services for the young as well as for the elderly, literally from the cradle to the grave. Crossreach is the largest provider of social care services in Scotland ... next only to the government.

No, they are not completely funded by The Church of Scotland for all that they provide. Indeed the C of S provides a very small portion of funding. Crossreach recovers most of their costs from Local Authorities by providing, for example, children's homes, care in the community and elderly persons' services and all to the very highest standards. They also depend on legacies and self funders in Care homes for the elderly.

We are very fortunate to have in this area one of the very best care homes for the elderly. Can you guess?

It opened in the year when Shirley Bassey was born and the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco was officially

opened. It was of course 1937 and on October 27th of that year Balmedie House was opened by the R. H. Lord Polwarth with the express purpose that *"it would become a place where lonely people are cared for"*. Initially there was accommodation for 35 residents sleeping in dormitories. The house used 10 tons of coal a month to keep it warm.

Over the ensuing years there have been a number of major renovations, the latest in 2006 when 32 en-suite bedrooms were created and a new wing also opened. No more dormitories or coal fires!

The level of care and support have also increased, and staff are qualified professionals who work to the highest standards as demonstrated by the top grades of 6 across all areas by the Care Inspectorate. Much has also stayed the same, the glorious views from the house and the distant sound of the sea.

Anne Reid, Service Manager at Balmedie House for 6 years says *"The practical out working of Christian care and compassion continues through the commitment of everyone who works there"*.

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You have probably already twigged that last October 27th Balmedie House celebrated its 80th birthday, and though I share the same birthday I am quite a few years younger, thank you!

Like all Octogenarians they started celebrating early. In August they had a family BBQ, balloons, cakes and dancing on the lawn to the music of a visiting entertainer. On the actual birthday, 27th October 2017, the day began with a thanksgiving service then a three course meal, cake and

refreshments followed by dancing and singing until late in the evening.

There were many happy memories enjoyed both by the residents and staff. So next time you are through for a cuppa after our services, spare a moment to glance at the notices on the walls in the hall and delight in knowing that Crossreach is the very successful care arm of The Church of Scotland.

Peter Donaldson
(Crossreach Social Care
Council Member)

Back to School – and daily life

‘Most Christians don’t really believe that the ordinary things they do every day have anything much to do with God’s purposes in time and eternity. But the reality is that God can and does work through His people... among the people they naturally meet, doing the things they normally do.’ (Mark Greene).



September is the time when we get back to our normal routines after the summer break. It’s a good opportunity to ask how God wants us to make a difference in our workplace, school, family or with friends. Paul writes:

‘And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.’ (Colossians 3:17).

As disciples, we are called to do the ordinary things in the name of Jesus, i.e. ***act in the way Jesus would in our situation.***

‘WHATEVER you do’: God is at work in every aspect of our lives. He can use whatever we do to make a difference to those around. Do we believe this? Our lives shouldn’t be like an orange, segmented into the sacred and secular, but more like an apple, in which the whole is available to God.

‘Whatever YOU do’: God wants to use us to make a difference to the people and places where we spend time. We can trust Him for the resources we need hour by hour, day by day, year by year. What do we need from Him?

‘Whatever you do’: Our work is for God alone, out of gratitude for God’s love for us. How does this perspective make a difference when what we do seems hard, unrewarding, or unappreciated by others?

‘Work doesn’t take us away from God; it continues the work of God.’ (Eugene Peterson).

(extracted from Parish Pump)



Boys' Brigade News ... The 1st Inverurie Boys' Brigade are beginning their new session with an enrolment night and, as usual, will welcome any new boys and also any adults who would be willing to help, especially with the Anchor Boys on a Monday night.

Some of the Senior Boys and Officers will join others from the Aberdeen Battalion as marshals at the Braemar Gathering, and all the boys will be taking part in various BB activities in Aberdeen throughout the year.

As usual, fundraising plays an important part and they have already started with the sale of Spree books for which they receive commission, and various other activities are planned throughout the year. The annual "Community Chest" scheme will be run by the Evening Express and we appeal to anybody who buys the paper to collect tokens between the 10th Sept and 6th Oct and donate them to the Company by sending them into the Church Office or handing them in on a Sunday. We fell short on numbers last year but if we can improve, this could result in an award from the Evening Express – the more we collect, the better the share of the money. Money is required to enable us to purchase equipment to replace old, worn out gym apparatus such as mats which are in serious state of deterioration. Once again the Company is appreciative of the support they continue to receive from the Church and individual members.

As a reminder on Monday nights, the Anchor Boys meet from 6:45 – 7:45 pm, the Junior Section from 6:45 – 8:45 pm and the Company Section on Friday nights from 7:15 – 9:30 pm.

Alastair Smith



Joint BBQ with West Church ...



On Sunday, 27th

August, due to inclement weather, the BBQ hosted by the West Church was held in the New Hall, St Andrew's Church.

(Thankfully the heaters were switched on!!)
Everyone present enjoyed a lovely meal and our

thanks go to all those involved in the preparation, serving and cleaning up afterwards. We should also like to add here that we have enjoyed the company of our friends from the West who joined us for our August services.

Sheila was particularly thrilled with the way the singing from both congregations filled the church with joy and happiness.



**PLEASE!!
NOTE**

Monthly Count Envelopes

Please ensure that your envelopes are completely sealed before handing them in to the church or to the magazine distributor. Unfortunately there is an adhesive fault with the envelopes and they are splitting at the sides. We have been assured by the printers that the next batch will be perfect. Apologies for this inconvenience.

Thank you.

Vera & Diane



The following items are still awaiting owners to come and claim them from the Church Office -

- **Spectacles**
- **Gloves**
- **Iphone (flower cover)**
- **Silver Locket**
- **Dolphin Necklace**
- **Clip-on Earring**

If they are not claimed before October 31st, they will be donated to local charities.

PS They have been in the office since the beginning of this year!

Reminder ...

Please note there is a
**Congregational
Board Meeting** on

**Wednesday,
12th September 2018
at 7.30 pm**



Afternoon Tea

**Sunday 9th September 2018
2.00 p.m. — 4.00 p.m.**

**The Acorn Centre
Inverurie West Church
West High Street
Inverurie**

Adults £7.50 Children £4.00

Tickets available after church, at The Acorn Centre and St. Andrew's Church office,

Ministry of Flowers

SEPTEMBER

Church

Vestibule

2nd	Ralph & Jenny Green, Rutherford Folds
9th	Tom & Margaret Dalglish, Middlemuir Rd
16th	Anon
23rd	Kit Pawson IMO of The Rev. Inglis & Grace Black
30th	Alastair & Anne Smith, Cairn Wynd

Norma Tough & Family

Christopher Robertson
IMO of his dad Andrew Robertson

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7th Pat Wink, Davidson Drive

2018 Flower Calendar is in the Vestibule—Please add your preferred date by writing your name and contact telephone number in the space provided. A few weeks before your date, please put your donation into an envelope with your details and preferred colours, if any, and hand into the church office. If paying by cheque, please make payable to St Andrew's Church Flower Fund. Every Sunday after the church service the flowers are distributed to members of the congregation who are ill or have suffered a bereavement.

Eileen Robertson, Flower Convener



Door & Welcome

Offering & Count

SEPTEMBER

2nd	Jill Bruce	Dr E Brew	J Lawson	I Greig
9th	G Bruce	A Duff	R Milne	K Pawson
16th	C Clark	Y Clark	A Smith	A Young
23rd	Y Deacon	I Fraser	J Williams	H Morrice
30th	S Davidson	R Green	R Young	D Stuart

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7th	P Donaldson	E Gale	M Vernal	Joyce Bruce
14th	I Greig	J Ingram	V Binnie	E Barrack
21st	S Hepburn	H Morrice	Jill Bruce	H Christie
28th	A Kelly	K Pawson	G Bruce	B Cadenhead

***If for any reason you are unable to manage any of the above dates,
it is your responsibility to arrange a swap with someone
else on the rota and then it is IMPORTANT to let our
Church Administrator know of any changes. Thank you.***

Sunday Services & Readings

SEPTEMBER

2nd	10 am Parish Worship "Time Out"	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Bert Cadenhead
9th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Tom Dalglish
16th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Sarah Davidson
23rd	10 am Holy Communion	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Betty Gale
30th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Dr Eric Brew

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7th	10 am Parish Worship "Time Out" "Harvest Thanksgiving"	Minister: Rev. C Irvine Reader: Moira Keith
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Congregational Roll

ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH CHANGES IN ROLL 28th July - 28th August 2018

Recently Deceased

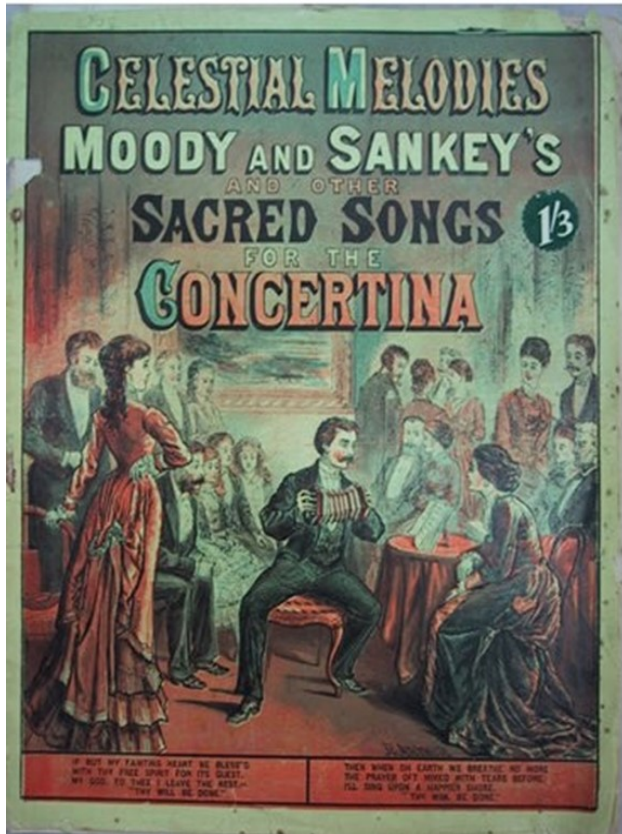
Mr A Beattie, 2 Railway Terrace, P.E.	28/7/2018	Rev. S Craggs
Mrs P Bissett, The Bungalow, Mains of Glack, Daviot	10/8/2018	Rev. S Craggs

Service Conducted by

Change of Address

Mrs McLean (formerly "Marva", Blackhall Rd)	now "Manilla", Blackhall Rd
Mrs P Angus (formerly 4 Gordon Drive)	now in Garioch Nursing Home

Come and join us in an evening of wonderful old Moody and Sankey hymns, with an accompanying talk by renowned local historian Patrick Scott.



**NOTH PARISH CHURCH
THE SQUARE, RHYNIE
6.30 pm
SUNDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

**ALL WELCOME!
(Free admission)**

Scottish Charity No SC007582

Many of us will remember or have heard of the famous visit of Billy Graham to the northeast in 1955, but how many know about the visit to Huntly in 1874 of Moody and Sankey, the superstars of evangelism in those days? In celebration of their visit, Noth Parish Church, The Square, Rhynie, intends to hold an evening of song and history, at 6.30pm on Sunday 9th September.

Local historian, Patrick Scott, will recall the arrival in Huntly of the two famous American evangelists, Dwight Moody and Ira Sankey on Monday 29th June 1874.

For several days before the 29th, crowds had been arriving in Huntly so that when the great day arrived, about 20,000 people packed the Show Park opposite the castle in order to hear the charismatic preacher Dwight Moody and the fine baritone singing voice of Ira Sankey.

In the evening, a service was held in Huntly Parish Church with all of the 1,800 seats filled whilst others crammed the aisles. It was reported that never before was the Gospel message listened to with such attention and enthusiasm. Mr. Slorach, the local tailor, said: *"I've never heard the Wird preached sae weel and it'll bide in my thochts iver mair!"*

All are invited to come and hear their story, and enjoy some of their famous hymns, and if you think you do not know their music then go along to Rhynie and be prepared to be surprised, entertained and up-lifted.

Sue Whyte
Mains of Lesmoir Cottage
Rhynie, AB54 4HH

Thought for Today

The next time you feel like complaining about your breakfast, lunch or supper REMEMBER:

Your rubbish bin probably has better food in it than 30 percent of the people in this world have to eat.

Diary of Events - School Term

Mondays

10.00 to 11.00 am	Zumba Class(Old Hall/Kitchen)
2.00 to 5.45 pm	Pre-school Ballet (Old Hall)
6.30 to 8.30 pm	Boys Brigade (New & Old Hall)
3.30 to 5.30 pm & 6.00 to 8.00 pm	Weight Watchers (Old Chapel/ Kitchen)

Tuesdays

8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
4.00 to 5.30 pm	Rainbows (Old Hall/Kitchen)
5.15 to 6.45 pm	Scottish Slimmers(Old Chapel)
7.00 to 10.00 pm	Rock Choir (Old Hall)

Wednesdays

8.00 am to 2.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
10.30 to 11.30 am 11.45 am to 12.45 pm	Signing Class (Old Hall/ Kitchen)
7.00 to 8.00 pm	Pilates (Old Hall)

Thursdays

8.00 am to 1.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
9.30 to 10.00 am	Pre-school Ballet classes(Old Hall)
1.30 to 3.30 pm	French Classes
6.00 to 7.15 pm	Dru Yoga (Old Chapel)
7.00 to 9.00 pm	Guides (New Hall)
7.10 to 8.10 pm	MSD (Old Hall)

Fridays

8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
9.30 am to 3.30 pm	Gordon Dementia Care (Old Chapel)
7.30 to 10.00 pm	Boys Brigade (Old Hall)

Saturdays

12.30 to 5.00 pm	MSD (New Hall)
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OTHER EVENTS—SEPTEMBER

2nd	2.30 to 5.30 pm	Garioch Church (Old Hall/Old Chapel/Kitchen)
2nd	6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)
5th	7.30 to 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
9th	6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)
11th	10.30 am	Monthly Count (New Chapel)
12th	7.30 pm	Congregational Board Meeting (7.30 pm)
12th	7.30 to 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
16th	2.30 to 5.30 pm	Garioch Church (Old Hall/Old Chapel/Kitchen)
16th	6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)
19th	7.30 to 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
21st	7.30 to 9.30 pm	RCCG (Old Chapel)
23rd	6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)
24th	9.30 am to 12.30 pm	Aberdeenshire Council (Old Chapel)
26th	7.30 to 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
27th	9.30 am to 12.30 pm	Guide Dogs (Old Hall/Kitchen)
28th	9.45 to 11.15 am	Close & Calm (Old Hall/Kitchen)
30th	6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)

Social Events : Dates for your Diary

October : 6th October Harvest Soup & Sweet & Craft Fayre
12.00 noon to 2.00 pm Cost: £6.00 pp

: 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th October Barnardo's Christmas Card Sale in Old Hall during coffee after Service.

November : 24th November Christmas Fayre
More details in the October magazine

Military Wives' Choir accompanied by Brian Smith - Spring/Summer 2019

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St Andrew's Safeguarding Statement

*(Relating to the Protection of Children and Young People in the Church.
 Adopted by the General Assembly, May 1997.)*

The Church of Scotland has a deep concern for the wholeness and well-being of each individual. I seeks to safeguard the welfare of all people, regardless of age, who come into contact with the church and its organisations. It is the responsibility of each individual within the fellowship of the church to prevent the physical, sexual or emotional abuse of children and young people and the vulnerable. St Andrew's Parish Church has a Zero Tolerance Policy to any form of abuse.