

We wish you all a Happy Easter. Our service this morning is an Easter celebration for all ages together.

If you have brought an Easter Egg for the competition this morning, please place it on the table at the front.

Alan is planning to meet just after Easter with **people who would like to join the church**. If you would like to be part of that group, please speak to Alan for more details.

Alan will be on holiday this week, but John, Parish Assistant for the Parish Grouping will be available. John can be contacted on (01592) 366008. Alternatively, please contact Joan or Carol, who can arrange pastoral care.

On Thursday 27th April, **David Smith will be inducted as the new minister of St Ninian's Parish Church**, which is part of our parish grouping. The service will be held at 7pm. All are welcome.

There is a **new knitting group** meeting in the church hall on Tuesday afternoons between 2pm and 3:30pm. The group is making items for local hospitals and care homes. If you can't manage Tuesday afternoons, you could knit at home. For more details, please contact Anne Rennie on (01592) 77388. Donations of wool, needles or bits and bobs would be gratefully received.

"Words of Life", the latest **Pray Now booklet** is out soon. If the presbytery can get a large order, these will be £8.50 each (not £14.99). If you would like a copy, please give your name to Arlene or Joan. Payment won't be needed until the books are received.

Sunshine Tours - Hill House, Helensburgh - 10 May - The cost of this trip is £32.00 and needs to be paid by Sunday 23 April.

The Fundraising Committee has arranged a **concert by Civil Folk** on Saturday 13 May at 7.00. Civil Folk are a musical group with Marilyn Maul and friends. The tickets cost £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children. The tickets are available now from members of the Fundraising Committee.

St. Columba's Garden & Grounds Annual Tidy

Monday 1st May (weather permitting!) from 6.30 pm
If anyone is available to help with the annual tidy of the church garden and grounds please let me know by Fri 28th April.
Thanks - Jim Shand (phone 755595)

The **March edition of Jenny Featherstone's Newsletter** is now available. As Jenny celebrates her '10th birthday' in Zambia she reflects on various interesting developments relating to education classes in catering, entrepreneurship and life skills. On the downside some financing matters have arisen as an issue. On a brighter note the four year drought has ended with the prospect of the price of mealie meal (a local staple) dropping. Items for praise and prayer are also included.

House Groups – Wednesday 19th in Anne Rennie's house and Monday 24th in Stuart & Teresa McGowan's house.

The **reading next Sunday** will be Luke 24: 13-35

Roths Trinity Parish Grouping Shared Notice

Refugee Aid - Donation Day - Saturday 29th April at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Kirkcaldy between 10am and 2pm. Re-Act Scotland has already loaded a container which is now headed to Lebanon with 858 large sacks of essential supplies. Thank you to all those who have already donated and please continue to help.

The first gold of dawn *by Jean Murdoch*

The long day
stretched into night
and time crept onward
towards the new day.

With the first gold of dawn
came a resurrection,
a new hope that grew
with the rising sun,
and went out to a waiting world.

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Welcome to St Columba's 16th April Easter Sunday

Easter Opening:

Alan: "He is risen"

All: "He is risen indeed"

The Bible

Welcome, Intimations and Choir

Call to Worship

Hymn 410 - Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 197 - As we are gathered, Jesus is here

Reading - Luke 24:1-12 (NT Page 113) *read by Carol Gibson*

Activity

Hymn 426 - All heaven declares

Reflection

Easter Eggs

Hymn 408 - At dawn the women made their way

Prayer Activity

Hymn 198 - Let us build a house where love can dwell

Communion

Hymn 419 - Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son

Benediction

We welcome any visitors. It's great to share in fellowship with you. Please join us for tea or coffee in the hall after the service. A **welcome leaflet** with information about worship at St Columba's is available from the welcome team at the door.