

ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TAYPORT

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	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sun 6 Nov	Alan Waddell	Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18; (Matthew 25: 1 - 13)
Sun 13 Nov	Margaret Gray	Judges 4: 1 - 7; 1 Thessalonians 5: 1 - 11; (Matthew 25: 14 - 30)
Sun 20 Nov	Liz Johnson	Ezekiel 34: 11 - 16, 20 - 24; Ephesians 1: 15 - 23; (Matthew 25: 31 - 46)
Sun 27 Nov	Alan Waddell	Isaiah 64: 1 - 9; 1 Corinthians 1: 3 - 9; (Mark 13: 24 - 37)
Sun 4 Dec	Margaret Gray	Isaiah 40: 1 - 11; 2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a; (Mark 1: 1 - 8)

Prayer of the Month

Teach us, Lord,
to do the little things as though they were great
because of the majesty of Christ,
who does them in us and who lives our life.
Teach us to do the greatest things as though they were little and easy,
because of your great power.
Amen.

A prayer from Blaise Pascal (1623 - 1662), the celebrated French mathematician, physicist and philosopher who, in 1654 following a mystical experience, became a committed Christian and devoted much of his life thereafter to the study of theology.

A Prayer for our Children

Thank you God, for our friends, for their love and the fun
And laughter that we have together.
Help us always to care for each other as you care for us.
Amen



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From your Rector

Dear Friends

This month in place of a letter I have inserted small articles instead – it seemed more appropriate as our editor Margaret is publishing this edition before she and Ronnie head off for their holiday in the sun and I am writing this on the 11th October!

There is much to look forward to in November – our St Margaret's Day celebrations, our Christmas Coffee Morning and then the start of Advent and details of special Advent services and events will be made available separately.

With love and prayers, Christine

From our Service Registers

This month can we please remember in our prayers those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: David Main, Norman Hayne, Jill Jackson, Lillian Characts, Mary Webster and Alf Milne.

Book Group

Due to the fact that November and December are very busy months, it seems sensible to postpone our reading group until the beginning of the year.

Our visit to Dunfermline

It may have been a bit 'dreich' on Sunday 2 October but that did not dampen the spirits of the 24 of us who went on our church outing to Dunfermline that afternoon. Our bus driver Bob dropped us off outside the Abbey and we spent time with David, our guide, in the Abbot House and Helen, our guide, in the Abbey learning more of the life and times of Queen Margaret and others. It was then time to hop back on the bus and head for a well earned High Tea at the Halfway House at Kingseat where we were, again, very well looked after. All too soon it was time to get back on the bus and head for home. A great afternoon and early evening that offered the opportunity to learn and to spend time together in fellowship and thanks to everyone who came and made it such a success.

November Events

Wed 16 Nov 7.30 - 9.00pm Patronal Festival Eucharist & Celebration of 115 years of St Margaret's in Tayport with a party in the Dickson Hall.
Sun 20 Nov East Area Council Evensong @ St John's Pittenweem.
Sat 26 Nov 10 - 11.30am Christmas coffee morning in Dickson Hall. Usual stalls

St Margaret's Day Party

This year we celebrate 115 years of our little church building and to mark this special milestone we are planning a party in the evening, from 7.30 – 9pm, after our Patronal Festival Eucharist on 16th November. Invitations have been sent out to each of the groups that make use of our Dickson Hall and we hope that one or two from each will be able to come and join us in our celebrations. This event would be an ideal opportunity to invite others who have been connected with St Margaret's over the years so if you can think of anyone please let me know and I will send them an invitation. Alternatively, if you think a personal invite would be more appropriate please issue one! To help with catering – wine, soft drinks and nibbles, can you please keep Christine Barker informed of those whom you know are coming.

November Services Diary

Every Wednesday Midday Prayers (15mins) in Church
Sun 6 Nov 10.30am 3rd Sun before Advent - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 13 Nov 10.30am 2nd Sun before Advent - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 16 Nov 6.15pm Feast of St Margaret - Eucharist followed by party in the hall
Sun 20 Nov 10.30am Christ the King - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 27 Nov 10.30am Advent Sunday - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 4 Dec 10.30am 2nd Sun in Advent - Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall. Rev Malcolm Aldcroft.

November Rotas

	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sun 6 Nov	Alex Cook	Janette Turvey
Sun 13 Nov	Christine Barker	Liz Johnson
Wed 16 Nov	Christine Barker	Janette Turvey
Sun 20 Nov	Janette Turvey	Alex Cook
Sun 27 Nov	Alex Cook	Janette Turvey
Sun 4 Dec	Christine Barker	Liz Johnson