

Auchterarder Parish Church

16th December 2018: Service led by **Rev. Iain Paton**



3rd Sunday of Advent

AUCHTERARDER PARISH CHURCH

16th December 2018

10.30am

We seek God's presence

Welcome
Intimations

Introit: What kind of greatness
Lighting of second advent candle

We worship as a family

Praise: 320 Joy to the World, the Lord is come
PRAYER and Lord's Prayer (*words on screen*)
Talk Time

Praise: 310 See Him lying in a bed of straw
Offering and Prayer of Dedication
(Groups leave for Centre)

Scripture: Zephaniah 3. 14-20
St.Luke 3. 6-18

Praise: 303 It came upon the midnight clear
Sermon: 'The cost of Christmas'
(Text: St.Luke 3.18)

Praise: 304 O little town of Bethlehem
(verse 3 – choir only)

We remember the needs of others
Intercessory prayers

Praise: CH4 315 Once in Royal David's city
BENEDICTION
(Sung Amen)

Advent candles – the Donaldson family

Scripture read by Ian Gourlay

Prayers of intercession by Marjorie Paton

Members and friends of Auchterarder Parish

Church welcome you to worship today.

Members of the congregation are at the door to welcome you and to assist you with any enquiries. We have a loop system in operation which can be tuned in to by setting your hearing aid to the loop position. Our Locum Minister Iain will be happy to visit any new to our congregation, or to help with any pastoral needs, baptisms or weddings etc. Please don't hesitate to chat to him.

If you have any information to pass on to the minister, please fill out one of the cards on the back of the seat in front of you and hand it to the minister or an elder on your way out.

Intimations -

1. The Annual Christmas Tree Festival continues from Monday to Friday next week with the church open from 2pm to 5pm each day. Please come along and bring your friends.
2. Auchterarder Primary School are holding their Christmas Service in the Church on Thursday at 2pm.
3. A list is being made up for next year of people willing to read scripture lessons in church. If you would like to do this, please tell Sheila Long (663867) or Iain Paton (682234) It would be helpful if we could know today, as next year's list is about to be completed.
4. Mr Paton is offering a Church Membership Group in January for the benefit of people who might wish to join the membership of the congregation by profession of faith. If you would be interested in taking part, please let him know (682234) or email iain.f.paton@btinternet.com
5. Forthcoming Services:

Sunday 23rd – 10.30am Pop Up Nativity Service

2pm Annual Service in Tullibardine Chapel

Christmas Eve: 6pm Family Christingle Service

11.30pm Traditional-style Watchnight Service (carol singing from 11.15pm)

Christmas Day 10.30am Christmas Day Family Service until 11.10am. (toys welcome!)

Breakfast Plus concludes 2018 in the Christmas spirit by filling the Centre with Music, courtesy of Stephen, Sandra and the Choir. Come along and join in the singing next Sunday, 23 December, from 10.05am!

Auchterarder Bloom Association



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"Discover Christmas among the trees"

in

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Monday – Saturday 2pm – 5pm

10th – 24th December 2018

Live Music Day
Saturday 15th December 2-4pm

Admission: £3 (children free)

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Auchterarder Parish Church Dec - Jan

Date	Reader	Beadle
16th Dec	Ian Gourlay	Gordon Wilson
23rd Dec	BREAKFAST+	Derek Lumsden
30th Dec	Sheila Ferguson-Smith	Irvine Small
6th Jan		Keith Allan
13th Jan	Alex McKendrick	Larry Gilmour
20th Jan	GRID	Ian Mitchell
27th Jan	BREAKFAST+	Ronald Porteous

Archway Café - Please note there is an error in the Magazine as to when the Archway Café starts in the New Year. It should read

Monday 7th January 2019. Time 1.30pm - 3pm

CHURCH FLOWERS

The beautiful Flower Calendar has again been painted by Elsie Aitken, and is displayed in the church porch.

Please add your name if you would like to donate the flowers which adorn our church every Sunday.

This is a lovely way to commemorate a special anniversary or celebration.

Those who receive the flowers are always very grateful to be remembered.

For assistance or enquiries contact - Elsie Galloway or Rosemary Lennox



Pop Up Nativity - A reminder to all families and friends of the Pop Up Nativity Service on Sunday 23 December. Any children in church that day can take part and can either come along dressed as someone from the Nativity story or they can have one of the dress-up outfits we have here at church. No rehearsal is necessary and it doesn't matter how many Mary's or Wise Men we have, they can all take part. Our Grid teenagers will be around to guide them through the story.

WE ARE MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



Rosenethe Singers

The Auchterarder Fundraising Group present:

A Concert of Music for Christmas

with Rosenethe Singers

(Musical Director – Kevin Duggan)

Monday 17th December 2018

7.30 pm - The Gleneagles Hotel

(thanks to the generosity of the Management)

Tickets are £18.00 each and are available from

Christine Steele 01764 660484

Jan de Vries 01764 660246

or from any Macmillan Committee member

Celebrating our 10th Concert



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Christingle Service

Our 6:00 pm Christmas Eve Service this year will be a Christingle Service. It's 50 years since the Children's Society was formed and we will be using their resources to celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Light of the World. Everyone who attends will get a Christingle to make and light on Christmas Day to remind us of the 'reason for the season'! We will need some help to make up packs of the bits and bobs necessary to make these, so if you are having coffee after the service one Sunday, you may well be roped into help! You may find that jelly babies are involved again! There will be an offering to be shared between the work of the church and the work the Children's Society does in supporting children and families.

Christmas @ Auchterarder Parish

Please join us at any or all of these events

Christmas Tree Festival

Monday 10 - Saturday 22 December 2.00 - 5.00pm

Pop-Up Nativity

Sunday 23 December 10.30 - 11.30am

Tullibardine Carols

Sunday 23 December 2.00pm

Family Christingle Service

Monday 24 December 6.00pm

Watchnight Service

Monday 24 December 11.15pm

Christmas Day Family Service

Tuesday 25 December 10.30 - 11.10am

Music Available - We have a variety of music books, mostly piano, some organ and a few vocal, pieces available to a good home/good homes. The music belonged to the former church organist, Berry McFarlane, and her family would love to see music going to support other musicians. The music is in the Church Centre and can be made available for anyone to look through. Any donations for any music taken would be welcome. For further information, please speak to Chris Haynes.

Thought for the Week

Luke 1:25

(The Lord) has shown His favour and taken away my disgrace among the people.

God, You are forever faithful and good. Help us to keep trusting in You, even when we experience heartache.

Keep living for Him faithfully and waiting patiently for His plan.



For this week only - Weekly Intimations - please let Sylvia Elsmere know **by Wednesday evening 19th December**. Intimations can be handed into the church office, or email sylvia.elsmere@hotmail.co.uk ☎ 01764 660146