

November 2024



St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Milngavie



Regular meetings....10am, each week in the Church or Garden Room

Sun.....Sung Holy Communion

Tue.....Prayer Group

Thu.....Said Holy Communion

The Church's Month:-

- Nov 3rd. Joint Evensong with All Saints
- Nov 4th ..Vestry meeting, Garden Room at 3pm..
- Nov 10th Remembrance Sunday...
- Nov 30th Patronal Festival, poss 1st Dec

The FISH BANNER:-

It does not need a lot of deep thought to recognise the significance of the mural facing us above the archway to the sanctuary.

Peter and Andrew were fishermen and later were called to be fishers of men, by Christ. 'Great draughts of fish', 'Jonah and the whale', 'nets and fishing boats' are all part and parcel of the early Christian story.

A joint effort from Liz Farrow, Mark Ulrich (who drew a plan) and the weekend retreat in Sept 2017 involving various ladies of the congregation saw the this lovely, and striking, image put up in June 2018.

When first seen, you note a horde of fishes all swimming as a team; look again, and you notice that one is swimming the other way. Was there an intended allegory, or was it an accident? I was

reminded of the childhood hymn about sheep and a shepherd. 'There were ninety-and-nine who safely lay in the shelter of the fold, but one was out on the hills away, far off from the gates of gold.....'!

So, the image is constantly before us, of someone swimming in the wrong direction needing some help.

With his great love of fishing, I think Canon Robert Bisset would have certainly approved!

Pamela Rutherford.

On 2nd Oct. in a packed church, we said farewell to our dear, longstanding friend Pamela. She and Gordon came to St A's in the late 70's. Over the following decades, between them, there were no areas of Church life that they did not cover. Every thing they did was undertaken with great style, enthusiasm, and elan!

She will be remembered for so many reasons. She played such a part in the life of the community which included running FH for many years. In church, her organisational skills and efficient manner were appreciated in many areas, including overseeing all rotas, and the readers. No task was too great for Pamela. Mostly she will be remembered for her enthusiastic, friendly, and lively manner. The encouragement and life she brought to our Church family was phenomenal. We miss her very much!

.....ANDREA.....

Harvest Festival photos... October

We had a lovely Harvest Thanksgiving Service, on 6th October including well-known and favourite harvest hymns.



Harvest Lunch went down well with the chance to relax, chat and enjoy the choice of four soups on offer, as well as sampling an array of delicious desserts. There was also lovely home-made bread and sandwiches to accompany the soup. Thanks to all who provided the lunch and helped make the celebration a success.



Food donations taken to the local Food bank .

As Andrea said in her sermon, as well as for thanks-giving and sharing, Harvest is also a time for spiritual reflection, a time to evaluate what we have , a time to pray for ourselves and the needs of the world , trusting in God for the future ... HELEN...





In Memorium



Lieut Bobby Wallace

K.I.A.....3.9.16

Book Group:-



Changed to 27th Nov at 2.30 at Andrea's. The book under discussion will be 'THE DARK' by Emma Haughton. The following meeting will be in January.

St Andrew's Dorcas Group:-

Every third Monday (from 11.15 to 3pm) our Church Hall rings to the sound of ladies meeting to help each other in in an assortment of crafts including mosaics, chocolate making , silk scarf tying, crochet and patch-work. It works on a drop-in basis for a donation of £5 to cover material. Bring your own lunch to keep up your energy!

Further details are on the Church website.... See under **Contacts**.

Memorable dates?:-

Any anniversaries, memorable birthdays or events we should know about ? On a personal basis it is nice for me to note that on Sunday 3rd Nov, (our Joint Evensong with All Saints), Kath and I met 61 years

ago at those very gates, when Canon Bisset had a puncture, and I stopped to help.....lucky for me! You may have some little story like this to tell.....so let us hear of it...so we can join in your happiness....

Walking Group Sat Sept 28th:-

We took the train from Milngavie and by Partick, there were 13 of us. The new Clyde footbridge with superb views, took us from the Transport Museum to Govan. Govan O.P Ch is now a museum, housing Christian stones and Viking hogback graves from 1000 years ago. No luck with the Fairfield Shipyard Museum and our proposed cafe, so we recrossed the bridge, and got our calories at the Transport Museum ...TIM

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A prayer for the harvest of the sea:-

Oh Almighty God, who has made the sea and all that moves therein: We give thanks for the harvest of the waters, which you have made abundant in its season ; and we pray for grace to know that you are Lord of the sea and of the high ground; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

