# Episcopal Churches of St. James' Stonehaven. St. Philip's Catterline. December 2023 & January 2024



Services at St. James' during December 2023 & January 2024

Sundays.

10.00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**Tuesdays** 

10.00 a.m. Said Holy Eucharist

Friday.

7.00pm Compline

1st Wednesday of the month 7.00pm Still @ 7. An opportunity to explore contemplative prayer/meditation within the Christian Tradition



## **DIARY NOTES** December 2023

Day/Date	Event
3rd December Advent Sunday	10.00am Matins Edward Dickens
10th December	10.00am Holy Communion Rev. Canon Mary Jepp
2nd Sunday in Advent  17th December	10.00am Halv Eucharist
3rd Sunday in Advent	10.00am Holy Eucharist. Emma/Martyn Percy
24th December	10.00am Blessing of the Tree of Life and Service of
4th Sunday in Advent	Nine Lessons and Carols. 8.00pm Holy Communion Rev. Canon Mary Jepp
25th December	10.00am Holy Communion Rev. Canon Mary Jepp
Christmas Day	Samuratary Jepp
31st December	10.00am Songs of Praise. Joint service with Carronside
1st Sunday in Christmas	,

# **DIARY NOTES January 2024**

Day/Date	Event
7th January	10.00am Holy Communion
Baptism of the Lord	Rev. Canon Mary Jepp
14th January	10.00am Matins
2nd Sunday in Epiphany	Edward Dickens
21st January	10.00am Holy Eucharist. Emma/Martyn Percy
3rd Sunday in Epiphany	
28th January	10.00am Anne O'Gorman
Alla Cara dans in	Reserved Sacrament
4th Sunday in Epiphany	

## From Mary,

One of my favourite Christmas Carols, which is not widely known in and around these parts, is the Huron Christmas Carol. It was written in and around 1642 by a French Jesuit missionary Jean de Brebuf who lived and worked in the wilds of Canada. In the carol, which is considered to be Canada's one and only native carol, Brebuf uses imagery that speaks of the place in which it was written. He wrote it with the intention that the imagery of his evocative words would connect with the native Canadians, the Hurons, and they would come to know and love Our Lord Jesus Christ. His words speak of a great cold countrya place where the native Americans made use of the resources of the land, he uses imagery such as 'the moon of wintertime when all the birds had fled' and the babe is wrapped in rabbit skins. These are words which spoke to the people of that place and time, and also to a little girl, that being me, growing up on the edge of great forests.

Brebuf had an understanding that knowledge and understanding of God need to be relevant to the people that he Encountered, otherwise the story, the faith, would not grow, the faith would be lost and ignored for being of a foreign culture. Brebuf in a sense made the mission at 'Sainte Marie among the Hurons', which is in Quebec, a place of hospitality and welcome for the native Americans who came not only to trade but in time to worship there.

Christmas is more than anything else a time of hospitality, a time of welcome as we welcome the Christ Child into our hearts, as we engage with not only our families and friends but also with those on the edges of our communities, regardless of their circumstances. It is a time when Christians are reminded to be home to the spirit of God, be willing to welcome that Spirit

into our lives so that we in our way can transform the world around us. It is a time when we can ask ourselves how we would welcome the stranger, how would we welcome the Christ Child and his parents in our communities.

Christmas is a time of hope, and my hope for St James' is that we will continue to be a true place of welcome. That we will recognize the needs not only of our existing church community but the needs of the stranger. That is not to say that our traditions should be ignored or dispensed with but that we need to think how we can encourage others to come and know the love of God. Brebuf, a Roman Catholic, never dispensed with Holy Communion but he did encourage the singing of a hymn that included the words Gitiche Manitou which meant Great Spirit or as we would say God in several of the Algonquian languages.

Wishing you peace and many blessings this Christmas season,

Wishing you every joy this Christmastide,

God Bless you and all that you love,

Twas in the moon of wintertime when all the birds had fled
That mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead;
Before their light the stars grew dim and wondering hunters heard the hymn,
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender babe was found; A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped his beauty round But as the hunter braves drew nigh the angel song rang loud and high Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

The earliest moon of wintertime is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on the helpless infant there.

The chiefs from far before him knelt with gifts of fox and beaver pelt.

Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

O children of the forest free, O seed of Manitou
The holy Child of earth and heaven is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant boy who brings you beauty peace and joy.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

## Choose the Hymns Campaign.

Many thanks to all who took part in choosing the hymns for Sunday worship from September to Advent. One hundred pounds was donated to the charity 'Luthiers Sans Frontieres' that is Violin Makers without Borders. This is a charity which, in their own words..." are professional luthiers who offer free training missions of 2-3 weeks in countries where there are no skilled repairers of instruments and bows of the violin family. Since our foundation in 2007 our volunteers have conducted twenty training missions in eight countries on five continents. We have just completed a two-week mission in Kosovo and are in talks about further missions for 2024".

Although this may seem like a slightly odd charity to support with the state of the world, we should remember what joy music brings in times of difficulty. Their website is <a href="http://www.lsf-uk.org/">http://www.lsf-uk.org/</a> to learn more.

Many thanks for helping to bring joy to this world.

Mary

## **Fundraising Report**

A very successful rock concert was held on the 18th November. Great music including some Christmas numbers. We raised just over £1,000

Our next events are the coffee morning on Saturday 2nd December from 10am to 12.30pm. We will also have the baubles for the Tree of life available. Donations for the raffle and tombola would be gratefully received.

The 3rd December at 7pm sees the return of the Granite City Brass Band. Free admission with a retiring collection for the band.

Anne

### THE CHRISTMAS ROBIN

The little bobbing Robin
Sat on my windowsill
And looked at me with sadness
As I lay in bed unwell

And as it flapped its little wings To welcome Christmas Day It hopped upon my table To hear what I might say

'Hello my friend, good cheer to you The snow has come at last And much as I would like to play My days of fun have past

For my leg it is now broken Said the doctor with concern So rest I must for many weeks What a lesson to be learned'

Then Robin gave a wink to me And flew around the room And everywhere he went, he chirped 'Don't move, I'll be back soon' Then in a moment he was gone
Through the window at great haste
And way beyond the curtain
He had picked up quite a pace

But in the distant echoes The smell of embers burned As Winter's chill descended Robin suddenly returned

And in his beak were tiny twigs
Too small for me to see
But back and forth he came and went
To build a Christmas tree

And bit by bit it slowly grew Taking shape where I did lay As I looked on in fondness At Robin's caring ways

And as a tear fell on my cheek
His present now emerged
With moss and fern to decorate
The sound of music could be heard

And with the ringing of the bells
A distant cry was made
As Robin flapped his wings once more
To start his big parade

For birds and animals countrywide Stood in the snow below To wish me a Merry Christmas And good tidings on the go The sparrows and the magpies
The pigeons and the crows
The foxes and the rabbits
Deers leaping high and low

The badgers and the drumming moles
The squirrels marching bold
As hawks kept watch across the ground
The mice hid from the cold

For Robin's friends had joined him On this very special day To put a smile upon my face And blow the sorrows away

The gift of friendship they did make In the garden of my home Stirred up feelings of great happiness That I was loved and not alone

And with this scene of wonderment And Robin's endearing ways A stocking full of magic Arrived for me on Christmas Day

Maura Kelly

### **Christmas Tree of Life**

Nineteen years ago the bereavement group wanted to have a place where they could remember family members that they loved but no longer saw at Christmas time. A tree in the churchyard/garden was dedicated as the Tree Of Life –

a place where anyone can hang a bauble in memory of someone 'they love but no longer see'. In the early days Jean and Tom Carnie were always on hand to assist and hang the baubles - Tom with the ladder - today probably for safety reasons there are no ladders. On everyone's behalf, thank you to Jean and Tom for being involved at the beginning and all you did.

The tree is to be rededicated this year by Rev Canon Mary Jepp on Christmas Eve, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 10am, at the beginning of the Nine Lessons and Carols service.

The tree is to be decorated again this year from Friday 1st December until Friday 5th January. The congregation of St. James' would like to invite anyone and everyone who would like to, to place a bauble on the tree in the memory of someone very special to them. The tree is next to the side gate beside the church wall and can be accessed from either inside or outside the church property. (If you wish to retrieve your bauble in January please do so by the 5th or search the basket inside the church before the 13th January.)

You are very welcome to either bring your own bauble or collect one from a basket to be found in the church. The basket of baubles along with a marker pen will be available daily (during daylight hours) in the church and also at St James' Christmas Coffee Morning in the church hall on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 10am until 12.30pm.

We hope all who place a bauble on the tree will get comfort and everyone will appreciate the simple yet stunning effect.

Val

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR WRAPPING A PARCEL

- 1. Regard present
- 2. Sigh deeply and wonder why you bought that size and shape.
- 3. Select a festive piece of wrapping paper.
- 4. Realise <u>after</u> cutting it that it is too small.
- 5. Sigh deeply.
- 6. Select another sheet and grapple with paper and scissors to wrap present
- 7. Locate sellotape which is under pile of wrapping paper.
- 8. Sigh deeply.
- 9. Try to locate end of sellotape. Break nail. Swear quietly.
- 10. Emit loud volley of oaths as tape tears along its length leaving small unusable bits.
- 11. Stick ends of parcel together, as well as fingers, bits of paper, tinsel and assorted crumbs on table.
- 12. New volley of interesting oaths muttered to the world in general, especially the self-satisfied voice of the radio announcer.
- 13. Locate brown paper.
- 14. Repeat Steps 1 12
- 15. Shout at spouse after adverse comments on parcel wrapping.
- 16. Animated discussion with spouse over whereabouts of address book.
- 17. Write address of relative on parcel, whilst listing bitterly the adverse properties of said relative.
- 18. Realise it's Thursday and the only day in the week that the 'pop-up' post office opens.
- 19. Take parcel and beginning of headache to chemist where peripatetic post office has rested meantime in its guest appearances in various retail outlets.

- 20. Join queue in chemist but realise that this is not the post office queue when the assistant asks in a whisper if you are the person wanting a private consultation with the pharmacist.
- 21. Feel affronted and join second queue to find post office person in a small corner wedged between corn plasters and laxatives.
- 22. Discuss with post office person where they might next appear, pointing out the novel idea of having a post office within a dedicated post office.
- 23. Have a meaningful discussion with post office person and other people in queue about cost of posting said parcel, pointing out that it would be cheaper to hire Santa and his elves to hand deliver it.
- 24. Return home with parcel and headache after deciding relative does not deserve all country's cash reserve spent on postage. Argue with spouse. Fall asleep in chair.

### Diane

### Award

On 6th November
St James' received
an award from the
National Churches
Trust in the
category "Church
and Community
Volunteer" for its
work with
Ukrainian refugees
and the Inspire
Project. The judging



panel said "Their open mindedness is inspiring ... it's a great way to approach working with your community."

Mary and Paula attended the award ceremony at the Mercers Hall, London to receive the certificate and a cheque for £750.

A copy of the certificate has been hung in the entrance to the hall.

## **Inspire project**

A thank you strawberry tea was held for those who helped to get the Inspire project up and running .



#### **AGM 2023**

For the benefit of those members who were unable to attend our AGM on the 26th, we will be publishing the reports in this and February's issue of the Newsletter.

## St James' Report

Somehow or other November has managed to creep up on me, and so earlier this week I sat with coffee and diary in hand to reflect on the past year amongst you at St James' as your Transitional Minister. Flipping through my diary's pages I was very aware of both the joys and sorrows that we have shared together as a church community embedded within our own local context, the nation and the world and I suppose in these days of climate change we could even list the universe. I would challenge anyone who would say that we don't live in challenging times, but regardless we have much to be grateful for especially our relationships with one another always mindful of Our loving Lord in our midst.

Last year I said that on arrival in a new charge the process of developing working prayerful relationships is key. A year on we as a community have moved on in so many ways. The words of Coretta Scott King, the wife of Martin Luther King Junior, reflects so much of what goes on at St James', that is... " The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members". Compassionate actions are much in evidence in this place, in your care for others whether it be through illness or life situations, celebrations of birthdays, anniversaries, life events and seasons, the Ukrainian Drop In, and the Inspire Garden, not to forget the events of the church year.

We are all very aware that little remains the same for very long these days. There may well be moments when we look at the world beyond these walls and yearn for the good old days, or maybe even the bad old days. However, the reality of our situation is that a characteristic of our modern world is change. At the forefront of my mind is the question – how do we honour the past, how do we honour tradition but still ensure that this congregation, remains viable in the future. We may be aware that the Church of Scotland faces closure of churches at the moment, and it is worrying watching from afar. The Episcopal Church, our church, has the advantage of being a minority church, this allows us to move more quickly to be creative and respond to the needs around us. This manoeuvrability means that we can respond creatively to situations that present themselves. This can be seen in our work with the Ukrainians and the development of the wee vegetable plot behind church for use by our friends from Inspire. As you know these 2 particular initiatives have been recognized nationally by the National Church Awards in partnership with the Marsh Charitable Trust. The judging panel commented "Their open mindedness is inspiring...it's a great way to approach working with your community." When I was first in training my rector said that what was required was to be attentive to the movements of the Holy Spirit and join the parade....I do feel that this is what you have done. All of us can be cautious and can be frightened of failure but if we are to thrive as a Christian community within our own context, we need to be bold and look forward and not be constrained by what has gone before.

St James is open through day light hours .... what a gift you give to Stonehaven. Those of us who are in and around

church can testify to the number of casual visitors who pass through our doors. Yes, it is true that some come for the exhibition, but many more come to pray and some come in search of a listening ear and help or support.

On a personal level I give thanks for what has developed on a Tuesday morning in our weekly Communion service. It is an interesting congregation which extends beyond St James, it is an ecumenical group and would you believe it that the numbers often rival the numbers of our Sunday congregation.

On a personal note, I would like to say that my ministerial life continues to grow more and more complex. There are many tasks to be completed, many of which you will not even realise take place. Some of those tasks it must be said are outwith the church, sometimes chance encounters. It is my practice generally to wear my collar, and to respond, if I am able, to those I meet. In passing a comment had been made about the need for me to be primarily attentive to the members of the church. I know that we all have our own understandings of the place of the church in society but mine is the need to be open to those that I encounter in my daily life - trying to meet the needs of those both within and outwith the church, recognizing that growth in churches is dependant on relationships.

There have of course been changes at St James over the last year. This time last year David Fleming resigned as Property Convenor, Arma Isles after many years serving as a Reader also resigned and Peter Parfitt moved south to England. We give thanks for all that they accomplished over the years. We have been very fortunate to find individuals willing to carry on the many tasks. And so I give thanks for Ian Lovegrove our new organist, and I might say his friends, for his and their fabulous musical gifts. For what has become to be known as

the Triumvirate who oversee the property, they being Paula and Peter Fogiel and Michael my husband. Just as in society St James seems to be constantly in phase of change, and this extends to our services as we adapt to develop a pattern of worship that is sustainable, and so we are working towards developing a worship team which will meet the needs of the congregation.

Thanks must go to all who volunteer on so many other fronts at St James. The list is long and so I will not name everyone in the fear that I will miss someone out, so, whether it is leading worship, supporting those who are unwell and/or housebound, reading, preparing intercessions, giving talks, serving, flower arranging, cleaning, organising coffee mornings, serving on vestry, watering flowers the list goes on and on... So many, many thanks. This morning a special thanks to Val Cadd who is stepping down from her role as Social Convenor after many years. And also to Heather Grant who has finished her current term in vestry. Many thanks for all you have done throughout your years of service, it is much appreciated.

As we look to the future, I would ask you to consider what you might be able to do within our church community.

There are others for whom I would like to offer thanks, who have tried their best to keep me on the straight and narrow, and I am thankful to all members of the vestry.

Once again many thanks for who you are and all that you do.

Yours in Christ, Mary

#### **Finance and Administration**

The accounts will be presented in a separate report.

As I say every year there was a need for increased regular income; I appreciate that for many people just meeting daily expenses can be a challenge. But if it is possible, I would ask you to consider each year whether you could increase your giving. One of the few ways in which the government is generous is the gift aid scheme. We reclaim 25% of the value of donations from members of the congregation who pay income tax and who have signed up for the scheme. If you are a higher rate taxpayer then you can claim back the additional tax via your income tax return. So, if you are not already signed up for gift aid then I can provide you with the necessary form.

Our accounts show a deficit this year of £6,654.69. As I mentioned at last year's AGM, we had budgeted for a deficit of about £25,000. Our income was well above what I had predicted. Especial thanks should go to all of you who took part in our fund-raising activities. The Book Browse has come to an end, but we should thank David, Diane and Anne for their hard work. Paula and the other Peter have done excellent work in increasing our income both from the use of the hall and events in the church. Val and her team have worked hard at the various social events. Val is stepping down from leading on the social activity after many years of hard work and we wish her a happy "retirement".

While we have the increased costs for our priest-in-charge, the arrangement we made with the diocese has been very generous as they pick up all costs associated with any increase in stipend as well as the insurance of the rectory.

I have presented the vestry with a budget which shows that we will have a deficit of about £27,000 for the next year. As you know, we

have sold the old rectory and while we have invested the proceeds in the scheme run by the SEC, it will not compensate for the nearly £10,000 we used to get from the rent. But treasurers are always pessimistic - so that we can claim credit when things turn out better than expected! A lot of effort is going into fund raising so hopefully the outcome won't be a bad as I forecast. We do have reserves that will cover any such loss.

Finally, I would like to thank Gill Walker for ensuring that the church collections are recorded and paid into the bank each week.

Peter Sharp

## Treasurer's Report and Accounts

**St. Philips.** The income for the year was £15,584.89 and expenditure £17,033.20. Cash in the bank at the end of the financial year was £9,277.02.

As you know, the Catterline Community Church now use the church regularly; for this they make a quarterly payment of £600, pay for the emptying of the septic tank and reimburse us for the cost of electricity. In the last financial year these payments came to a total of £3,326.48 which is recorded as Miscellaneous Income. We also have a small investment income from the SEC Unit Trust Pool.

The Quinquennial Review of St Philip's recommended that work needed doing to the East Window to prevent water leakage. This entailed the whole of the large window being removed. We also have money from the proceeds of the sale of church buildings at Catterline many years ago and which has been held for us by the diocese. We received £12,000 from it towards the cost of this repair and we contributed £2,736.19 from St Philip's own funds. This is the main reason why we had a deficit last year.

**St. James.** The Receipts and Payments Accounts shows that our income for the year was £228,777.78 and our expenditure £235,432.47 so giving us a deficit for the year of £6,654.69. The amount of money that we had in the bank at the end of the year was £50,612.71.

The income and expenditure figures are high because they include the sale of the old rectory which, after various charges for legal fees, gave us an income of £151,203.65 and the subsequent investment of £150,000 in the SEC Unit Trust Pool. Congregational income is up on last year, but I have yet to claim gift aid. Our income from property has decreased, once the sale of the old rectory is stripped out, reflecting loss of rent from the old rectory.

Fortunately, we had no need to sell any of our shares again this year. The value of them has increased and they are now valued at £119,520.87 but this figure varies significantly from month to month. The SEC Unit Trust has increased in value in recent months with the £25,000 legacy invested in the in 2020 is now valued at £34,440.31.

Thanks must also go to Paula who has been very successful in obtaining grants from various sources.

Even after taking out the purchase of investments, our expenditure has increased. The figure for quota has increased and we now have paid stipend for a full year. Church Hall repairs are for replacement of rotting woodwork. To comply with the health and safety advice issued by the SEC we have had to update our fire safety equipment and pay for a fire inspection of hall and church. This together with the purchase of a garden shed and equipment accounts for the increase in Miscellaneous Expenses. The cost of the garden shed has been covered by grants.

Gift Aid is important, and I would ask that if you are a tax-payer and donating cash then please put it in a gift aid envelope. They are available at the back of the church, or I can provide you with them already completed with your details. It costs you nothing, but we can reclaim tax.

Peter Sharp

## **Buildings Group**

It is hard to believe that a year has passed since Paula, Mike and I took over the Church Convenor role from our own David Fleming, a role that has certainly kept us occupied. It goes without saying that buildings like our church and hall require regular routine maintenance, as do the new rectory, the church of St Philips, which is occupied by the Catterline Community Church, and the property at Ramsey Road. However the sale of the latter at the end of May 2023 has lightened our load somewhat.

Guidance from the Scottish Episcopal Church has provided us with a Health and Safety tool kit, with the requirement not only for regular Fire Risk Assessments, but also the completion of Risk Assessment forms for any task to be performed. This process does result in a more focussed approach to any task and helps to ensure the safety of those performing the task.

An important project that has been completed in the past few weeks has been the painting of the external church doors, following the initial preparatory soda-blasting of their external surfaces. Painting of the main hall doors and the emergency fire exit door at the rear of the hall has also been completed.

Following several episodes of bad weather in the past months, Stonehaven Roofing Services have attended the church on two occasions to deal with some leaks into the church, and on the second visit to also deal with water ingress in the hall roof. The most recent storm produced another leak, this time at the back door, and the firm have been advised of this and reminded that the major project of annual cleaning of gutters and roof repairs using a cherry picker is still outstanding as I write this report.

Much work has been undertaken in the garden in a joint venture

with Inspire. Paula applied for grants to hire a skip and purchase a new shed, and also to furnish the project with new garden tools and equipment. With the help of many volunteers the overgrown garden area has been transformed culminating in a successful potato crop. Paula also managed to organise funding for a picnic table and bench set, and it has been placed in the garden area.

The ramp at the front door of the hall which had been damaged by a forklift of McLaughlin & Harvey has been completely replaced by the company who accepted responsibility for the damage done.

The rubbish bin area is now slabbed, with decorative slate at the borders and it looks far tidier now than it had been.

Quotes have been sought to replace the hall windows which are in disrepair.

We are awaiting the joiner to repair the hall fire door which is not closing properly.

The safety barrier adjacent to the emergency exit door at the rear of the hall has been replaced and painted.

Lettings for the hall have increased.

We are one of three community venues that are going to be involved in the Stonehaven Resilience Plan. This is currently being finalised.

As with all organisations we are having to adhere to the Net Zero guidelines, which we are currently addressing.

Paula, Mike and I would like to thank you all for your continued support.

Peter Fogiel

# **FUTURE EVENTS**

SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> December 10am -12.30pm CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING WITH VARIOUS STALLS AND TREE OF LIFE

SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7pm GRANITE CITY BRASS BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 1pm - 3.30pm
BRING AND SHARE CHRISTMAS PARTY

**EVERYONE**WELCOME

# Readers, and Greeters,

Date	Readings
3rd December	Is 64.1-9
	Ps 80.1-7,16-18
Advent Sunday	1 C 1.3-9
	Mk 13.24-37
10th December	Is 40.1-11
	Ps 85.1-2,8-13
2nd Sunday in Advent	2 P 3.8-15a
	Mk 1.1-8
17th December	Is 61.1-4, 8-11
	Ps 126
3rd Sunday in Advent	or Canticle: Lk 1.46b-55
	1 Th 5.16-24
	Jn 1.6-8,19-28
24th December	20,71111/
24th December	2 Sa 7.1-11,16 Canticle: Lk 1.46b-55
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4th Sunday in Advent	or Ps 89.1-4,19-26
31st December	Is 61.10-62.3
	Ps 148
1st Sunday in	Gal 4.4-7
Christmas	Lk 2.22-40

Year A – Readings are from the NRSV of the Bible

Greeter	Lessons 1+2	Coffee
Val Cadd	Richard Clark	Irene Paterson
Diane Fleming	Diane Fleming	Richard Clark
Peter Fogiel	Peter Fogiel	Jane Cook
Edward Dickens	David Fleming	Paula Fogiel
tba	Peter Sharp	Peter Sharp

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Date	Readings
31st December	Is 61.10-62.3
	Ps 148
1st Sunday in	Gal 4.4-7
Christmas	Lk 2.22-40
7th January	Gen 1.1-5
	Ps 29
Baptism of the Lord	Acts 19.1-7
	Mk 1.4-11
14th January	1 Sa 3.1-10(11-20)
	Ps 139.1-5,12-17
2nd Sunday in	1 C 6.12-20
Epiphany	Jn 1.43-51
21st January	Jon 3.1-5,10
	Ps 62.6-14
3rd Sunday in	1 C 7.29-31
Epiphany	Mk 1.14-20
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28th January	Dt 18.15-20
	Ps 111
4th Sunday in	1 C 8.1-13
Epiphany	Mk 1.21-28
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4th February	Is 40.21-31
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5th Sunday in	1 C 9.16-23
Epiphany	Mk 1.29-39

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Greeter	Lessons 1+2	Coffee
tba	Peter Sharp	Peter Sharp
Richard Clark	Richard Clark	Val Cadd
Irene Paterson	Irene Paterson	Richard Clark
Diana Peters	Diana Peters	Peter Sharp
Paula Fogiel	Edward Harrison	Paula Fogiel
Peter Sharp	Heather Grant 27	Peter Sharp

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The copy deadline for the February Newsletter is Sunday 21st January 2024 Reminders will not be sent out.

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