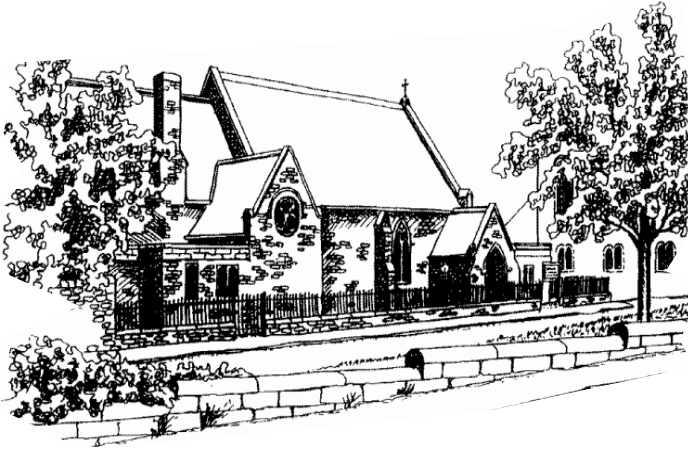


Holy Trinity Dunfermline



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**Holy Trinity Church, Dunfermline with St
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Services:

Sunday: Eucharists at 8am & 11am
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Thursday: Eucharist at 10.15am

Pebbles on the shore

I learned a new word last week: 'ismo'! It refers to a state of mind, or a mentality which, by all accounts, is often to be found amongst church people – particularly amongst clergy and bishops, but frequently amongst the laity too.

Although the word, 'ismo', was new to me, the sentiment which it conveys is quite familiar - and I think I first came across it round about the time that I was ordained deacon and began my curacy. And I've come across it many times since.

Of course, 'ismo' isn't really a word at all. It's an acronym and its letters stand for 'It'll See Me Out'. The following are typical examples of its usage:

'Yes, I know the church is declining, but *it'll see me out*. As long as I get my pension, I don't care!'; or 'Isn't it terrible? No-one wants to come to church any more. Still, *it'll see me out* – just so long as there's someone left to take my funeral!'

How often have we heard people talk in that kind of way – or with that sort of fatalistic attitude, as though there's nothing that can be



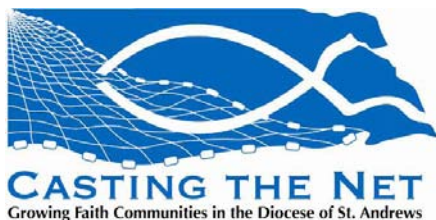
done?

Such an attitude could be caused by a variety of different factors: fear of change, perhaps, or lack of imagination; the need for safety and security in the familiar; or, perhaps, just sheer laziness! Whatever the reason though, it's really not very helpful.

Recently, I was at a conference in the South of England for Training Incumbents and one of the questions we had to address was, 'What kind of Church are we preparing our new clergy for? What will it be like in 10 years' time? What will it be like in 30 years' time?' The consensus amongst the clergy there was that unless we can overcome the 'ismo' attitude and think seriously and honestly about the way ahead then there is a serious danger that the church of the future actually won't 'see out' the new clergy of today.

Of course, that was in the Church of England. In the Scottish Episcopal Church, we've long recognised the need to take action and to move beyond the 'ismo' mentality. Mission 21, SEC2000, Continuing Congregation Development, *The Journey of the Baptised* have all been attempts, some more successful than others, at moving us on and engendering a new attitude of hope and enthusiasm.

The latest of these, and probably the most comprehensive, is our own diocese's *Casting the Net* initiative. *Casting the Net* is the congregational part of a big shift in focus and structure within the diocese and reflects our new orientation towards mission and growth rather than maintenance and survival.



Along with the restructuring of diocesan boards and committees and the rewriting of the diocesan constitution to reflect that new drive towards mission, congregations, through a process of reflection and planning, called *Casting the Net* have been encouraged to think about their life together and to come up with a practical plan (called a Mission Action Plan) for mission and growth.

Holy Trinity is one of the first churches in the diocese to have produced a Mission Action Plan and the Bishop will be with us on 31 October to launch it. Copies of the plan are now available, and a summary of the first year is included in the centre pages of this magazine.

I hope that you will read the plan, pray for the success of its implementation and think about whether there are any parts of it that you could be involved with. If the plan is to work, it will depend on all of us feeling both a sense of 'ownership' of it, and being committed to making it work in practice.

This is a big chance for us at Holy Trinity to lay the 'ismo' attitude to rest once and for all and to look forward with excitement, enthusiasm and vision. So please, let's make the most of it!

Tim

October 2010

Peter Hutchings



At the end of August the income was £ 60,504 and the expenditure £ 68112.

The income includes £3,390 from 51 donations, including an anonymous donation of £50, towards the cost of the new boiler.

The Rector's Fund is for the needy of the parish. The current total to hand is £ 231.



Holy Trinity Contact Scheme

By the time you read this, our new Contact Scheme will have been officially launched at the service with the Bishop on 31st October. Everyone over 16 who has completed a membership form should also have re-

ceived a letter by now, giving more details of the scheme, and naming your own Church Contact.

The idea of the scheme is to improve communication and to keep in touch with **everyone** at Holy Trinity- letting people know what is going on, involving them in the life of the church community, and offering support at times of need such as illness. The frequency and type of contact will of course vary greatly from individual to individual, to meet people's own needs and preferences.

We have 21 people acting as Church Contacts, either individually or in pairs, and the contact group have met twice to plan details of the scheme and receive an induction into the role. Each contact person has now been given a number of individuals /households from the congregation, and will be in touch with them all over the next few weeks. Separate arrangements are currently being put in place for members of the Youth Fellowship to ensure they are also involved .

We hope this new scheme will help us to be a more caring and supportive church community. If you have not been allocated a Church Contact and would like to have one, or have any queries about the scheme, please speak with Fay Cuthbertson or Hilary Bennison.



Holy Trinity's Mission Action Plan: The First Year!

Overview

Based on the work of the Mission Development Group, a meeting of the congregation and advice from the Diocesan Casting the Net Action Group, we have prioritised the following three 'Marks of Mission' at Holy Trinity and these will become the focus our mission and ministry over the next three years:

- ◆ Transform lives and communities
- ◆ Nurture faith through life-long learning and mutual support
- ◆ Share our faith through confident and sensitive evangelism

Casting the Net Mission Prayer

Loving God, give us wisdom and discernment as we plan for the future of our mission and ministry at Holy Trinity. Guide us in our planning and give us the courage to risk following your promptings as we seek the way forward. Unite us in serving you and give us strength to overcome our anxiety and discomfort at the changes you may call us to make. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

November 2010 to October 2011

Our Actions in Mission	By When
Implement Contact Scheme	Launch and Commissioning by Bishop on 31 October
Set up 'Wave of Prayer' at HT and link with Viewfield Baptist Church 'Wave of Prayer'	December 2010
Anniversary Cards to be sent to baptismal candidates and wedding couples.	January 2011
Information leaflets distributed to visitors at weddings, funerals, baptisms etc	February 2011
Prayer and Share Group	March 2011
Spirituality Group	May 2011
Welcome Pack for newcomers	June 2011
Faith Interviews for magazine	September 2011
'Sceptics' Meetings: Discuss readings and sermon over lunch	October 2011
Young Church News	
<p>Thank you to all those who enjoyed our bread and soup lunch. £35 was raised for the Rector's Emergency fund. Most of the children in the Young Church enjoyed the recent Church Harvest Supper and their performances were well received by the audience. They are now beginning to think about rehearsing for Christmas.</p> <p>We are delighted that so many of our Young Church members past and present are being confirmed by the Bishop at this time and we pray they will continue to play an active part in our church.</p>	

The Konevets Quartet

(www.konevetsquartet.com)

The Konevets Quartet, under the direction of Igor Dmitriev, was founded by graduates of the St. Petersburg Music Conservatory in July 1992 with the goal of sharing the rich Russian vocal tradition with its audiences. The Quartet takes its name from the Konevets



Island and Monastery, 160 kilometres northeast of St. Petersburg on Lake Ladoga. Members of the Quartet have also studied at the Glinka Choral Academy and each is an experienced choir director, composer and arranger. The Quartet's aim was to become a chamber choir with a fused harmonic sound, rather than soloists, and the repertoire has been developed and arranged with this in mind. It includes primarily Russian sacred music, ranging from hymns by twentieth century composers such as Chesnokov, Grechaninov and Stravinsky, to ancient chants in one, two and three-part arrangements. The repertoire also features Russian folk songs, and regimental songs and marches of the Tsarist armies and military academies, forbidden during Communist times. Finally, the Quartet performs choral music by Russian composers, with lyrics by Russian poets such as Pushkin and Lermontov, and with music by Tchaikovsky, Borodin, Taneyev and other famous Russian composers. Some of the songs are rarely performed or unknown even in Russia, and the Quartet constantly searches to expand the breadth of its music.

As musical ambassadors of Russian Church music and of the Konevets Monastery, part of the Quartet's revenue goes towards the restoration of the Monastery, which suffered catastrophic damage during the Soviet era, and its representational church in the heart of St. Petersburg. With this goal, it has toured extensively to wide success, including Russia, England, Scotland, America, Canada, France, Italy, Ireland and throughout Scandinavia. The Konevets Quartet has taken part in dozens of prestigious international festivals and has recorded seven critically acclaimed CDs. These are distributed worldwide and are available for purchase at its concerts, including today during the intermission and after the concert, when they will be pleased to sign CDs.

K o n e v e t s Q u a r t e t

*A Concert of Russian Sacred Music
from the XVIII to XX Centuries*



*"At first, silence – pure silence – and we wait. Miracle: sound of equal purity.
Where sound and silence unite." - Peter Brook, UK*

К о н е в е ц - К в а р т е т

The renowned male a cappella ensemble of St. Petersburg, Russia

on Thursday 25th November at 7.30 pm

Holy Trinity

Scottish Episcopal Church

East Port, Dunfermline

Christmas Greetings

Members of the congregation will again have the opportunity to send Christmas greetings to each other by purchasing a "Bauble" for a donation of at least £1. Many people chose to do this instead of sending cards last year but of course you may choose to do both! The baubles will be displayed on the tree in the hall for all to see and the donations will go towards Church funds. Baubles will be available from the first week in Advent.

Readings and Readers				
7 th Nov Trinity 23	Job 19:23-27a	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17	Luke 20:27-38	
14 th Nov Remembrance	Job 19:21-27	1 Corinthians 15:51-57	John 6:37-40	
21 st Nov Christ the King	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Colossians 1:11-20	Luke 23:33-43	
28 th Nov Advent 1	Isaiah 2:1-5	Romans 13:11-14	Matthew 24:36-44	
5 th Dec Advent 2	Isaiah 11:1-10	Romans 15:4-13	Matthew 3:1-12	All age service

HARVEST SUPPER

Another Harvest Supper has been and gone and a big collective thank you must go to all who helped to make it such a enjoyable occasion.

Thank you to the tough guys who set up the tables and the ladies who added the finishing touches to them (the tables that is, not the guys), the cooks who contributed the delicious food to the buffet and the performers both young and old (well - older) who, together with the raffle organisers, entertained us after the meal and last, but definitely not least, the people who helped to clear away afterwards, (and one lady in particular who must have slightly shorter arms now because of the time she spent up to her elbows in soapy water).

Finally, a thank you to all of you who bought tickets and turned up, at the new and larger venue, and to those who bought tickets and were not able to attend on the night, helping to raise a total of £336.83 for the church funds, from which a portion will go to charity. It must be said that if all the people who had bought tickets had made it to the supper, some might have been dining al fresco. Will an even larger venue be required next year? Watch this space.

In the mean time, once again, thank you one and all for a great evening.

Rotas

Nov 7	8am 11am	Phil Smithard Andy Young Sabine Forsyth Linda Sherwood & Michelle Fearnley Angela Hayes & Derek Morrison Ron Hawkins & Isobel Thomson	Server Intercessions Server Collection Bread & Wine Chalices
14	8am 11am	Phil Smithard Brendan Grimley Rod Key Eve Gilchrist & Monica Terry Sam Horlick & Ron Hawkins Muriel McKenzie	Server Intercessions Server Collection Bread & Wine Chalices
21	8am 11am	Phil Smithard Helen Welsh Ellen Fearnley Mr & Mrs P Hand Mr & Mrs G Philp Brendan Grimley & Fay Cuthbertson	Server Intercessions Server Collection Bread & Wine Chalices
28	8am 11am	Phil Smithard Hilary Bennison Sabine Forsyth Mr & Mrs J Waterfield Fay Cuthbertson & Jenny Stooke Ron Hawkins & Isobel Thomson	Server Intercessions Server Collection Bread & Wine Chalices
Dec 5	8am 11am	Phil Smithard All Age—YC Andrew Wedge All Age—YC All Age—YC Muriel McKenzie	Server Intercessions Server Collection Bread & Wine Chalices

Thank You

Many thanks for the visits and cards during my stay in hospital; they were much appreciated. I am making steady progress and hope to see you in the near future.

Irene Kennedy

Who's Who at HOLY TRINITY

Secretary	Fay Cuthbertson	726243
Treasurer	Peter Hutchings	728534
Lay Rep.	Margaret Dineley	-
Vestry:	Sheona Wedge	720278
	Malcolm Gosling	851605
	Linda Sherwood	416558
	Jenny Stooke	-
	Pam Pryde	739039
	Polly St Aubyn	-
People's Warden	Ken Spink	735732
Rector's Warden	Brendan Grimley	851473
Musical Director	Roger Weatherhogg	(work) 01592 583473
Servers	Phil Smithard	722416
Sacristan	Frances Jack	721683
Flowers	Gill Wardell	722948
Cleaner	Brenda Waterfield	734309
Young Church	Sheona Wedge	720278
Youth Fellowship	Jenny Stooke	-
Dorcas Group	Sheila Hawkins	725955
Mother's Union	Isobel Thomson	624322
	Fiona Barcroft	-
Wives Group	Muriel McKenzie	727115
	Yvonne Gosling	851605
Women's Guild	Edith Slack	724552
HT 50/50 Club	John Kennedy	511981
	Pam Pride	739039
	Doreen Esnol	621054
	George Philp	725860
Traidcraft	Linda Sherwood	416558
	Michelle Fearnley	412255
Sunday Coffee	Doreen Esnol	621054
	Fay Spink	735732
Hall Booking	Ken Spink	735732