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		Sung Eucharist	11am
		Young Church	11am
	Thursday	Eucharist	10.15am

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Hello JUNE

Dear friends, thank you for your contributions this month and to responding to my plea last month – keep them coming!

Our magazine starts proper on page 2 with a thoughtful address from Alison. Keep the 18th of October free in your diary for what promises to be a very special and celebratory occasion. On page 7 you will find an update from Mothers' Union and on page 6 Linda reports on a recent Area Council meeting where the Rev Dean Norbey introduced the 'trypraying' initiative. I hope we can explore this interesting concept for prayer, as well as evangelism and mission, in future magazine editions as well as a congregation. Next month, we'll also have a report from the 2015 Diocesan Gathering which was held at the end of May. The focus of the event was mission and serving the community in practical ways. It was an interesting day with people from every corner of our Diocese, and all ages, represented.

The next edition of the magazine will cover both July and August, so please bear this in mind and make sure your notices and announcements cover both months and to the start of September.

And so I will leave you this month to contemplate the words of that great philosopher, Winnie the Pooh:

“You can't stay in your corner of the Forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes.”

Elaine



The Revd Alison Cozens writes...

Why do we remember the events of the past? It has been said that if we want to understand today, we need to know and remember what happened yesterday. That's something that we know in our own families and it's also something that we know as a Church family. More than a little of what we now know as the New Testament was written for the early Church communities to help them understand who they were, where they came from and where they were going. Each week, at the Eucharist, as we meet God in the bread and the wine, we remember and relive that first Last Supper, recalling Jesus' death for us on the cross and his resurrection and also looking for his coming in glory. So we stand not just in human history, but also in God's great pattern and purposes.

And what is true for us as a Church community is also true for our local communities. Each has a history, and each has a place in God's plans and purposes. During my first weeks here, as I've been privileged to meet members of the congregations of both Holy Trinity and St Margaret's, I've been fascinated to start learning from you about the rich histories of our communities here in Dunfermline, Rosyth and West Fife. One thing that has particularly struck me is the number of people who first came to Fife because of the dockyard or with the Royal Navy. This is something that especially resonates with me as my father was in the merchant navy for most of his working life.

Next year sees the centenary of Rosyth dockyard, and plans are already underway for a programme of events throughout the year. 2016 also marks the centenary of the founding of the Methodist Society in Rosyth in 1916 and that year was also a key date in the history of the Church of Scotland in Rosyth. Rosyth of course not only had the Episcopal church of St Andrews and St George's but also the Anglican church of St Andrew's within the dockyard, later replaced in 1969 by St Margaret's Anglican church. When the Royal Navy withdrew from Rosyth, the naval base church was closed. St Margaret's Rosyth was formed by the congregation and was invited to share the facilities of Rosyth Methodist Church. The St Margaret's congregation was then accepted into the Scottish Episcopal Church in 1998, and in 2000 entered with the Methodist Church into what is now known as the Local Ecumenical Partnership. To this day, St Margaret's still holds a joint service with the Methodists on the fourth Sunday of each month.

The Revd Alison Cozens writes...

So next year is an important one for our brothers and sisters at St. Margaret's, our Methodist friends and the wider community in Rosyth and it is therefore also important for us too.

Bishop David will be visiting us again on Sunday 18th October. Our plan is to pray and to prepare for the events of next year by holding a joint service in St Margaret's Rosyth at 11am on that Sunday, a service that would also involve Holy Trinity Dunfermline and Rosyth Methodist Church. As we come together to recall the importance of the association with the dockyard and the continuing mission of our churches, Roger and Sue have kindly agreed to work together with me to find suitable music for the choirs to sing together. If you don't currently sing with either choir but would like to be part of this significant event, you would be most welcome to take part – please could you speak with either Roger or Sue. Please do put 11am on Sunday 18th October into your diary and please do pray for the planning group and Bishop David as we draw the liturgy together.

The Bridge Builder

a poem by Will Allen Dromgoole

An old man going a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and grey,
To a chasm, vast, and deep and wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.

The old man crossed in the twilight dim;
The sullen stream had no fear for him;
But he turned, when safe on the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim, near,
"You are wasting strength with building here;
Your journey will end with the ending day;
You never again will pass this way;
You've crossed the chasm, deep and wide-
Why build you this bridge at the evening tide?"



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Retiring Collection – Sunday 28th June 2015

Bethany Christian Trust was founded by Dunfermline man, Rev Alan Berry, in 1983 and operates across Central Scotland. It seeks to provide the long term unemployed, drug addicts, alcoholics, homeless people - people, generally speaking, who are down on their luck and experiencing hard times - shelter, companionship and sustenance.

The Dunfermline group has evolved from the very successful Ecumenical gatherings held daily in the Kingsgate. In those days we were known as Your Oasis, but through a series of unfortunate circumstances, we are now reduced to one 2-3 hour meeting each week. The number of volunteers totals six at present, and the client group has dwindled to a mere handful. However, by finding premises nearer to the town centre, we hope to be able to build up our numbers again.

The reason I suggested that the Bethany Christian Trust be selected as one of our retiring charitable collections, is that they do sterling work in Edinburgh and Glasgow in particular, and they have been generous in providing the means by which our local group can provide hot drinks and biscuits, and a variety of activities both for learning and for fun. I do hope you will support their work by giving generously on 28th June.

Adrienne Lyon

The Bridge Builder



The builder lifted his old grey head:
"Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,
"There followeth after me today,
A youth, whose feet must pass this way.

This chasm, that has been naught to me,
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

Circa 1900

All are welcome to come along to any or all of these events.

Monday 8th June - Summer Lunch

We are back at the Keavil House Hotel, Crossford, for our lunch. This has always proved to be a great success with a lovely 2 course lunch. If anyone is interested in joining us, please let Pam, Linda, Doreen or myself know.

Monday 22nd June - the Annual General Meeting of the Wives Group will get under way at 7.30 pm. This will be our last meeting until we resume in September, after the summer break.

Please come along and experience the warmth and friendliness of our small group. No commitment necessary, just come along to any of our get-togethers that you fancy.

Yvonne Gosling, Secretary



Contributions to the Church

I would like to thank all who have made financial contributions to our Church over the past twelve months.

Monthly envelopes have been given to those that use them – if anyone wishes to contribute in this way please contact me.

To enable a Tax Form to be completed for HM Revenue and Customs, I would like to remind those who have made Gift Aid Declarations that in order for their contributions to be recorded, they should use envelopes, Bank Standing order or cheques.

If you are a Tax payer, please consider completing a Declaration Form in order for the Church to reclaim tax on your contributions. All I need from you is a signed form. The only requirement is that the tax that can be reclaimed by the Church must not exceed the amount of tax you pay.

Contributions to the Church

Your contributions need not be a fixed amount; you can vary the amount according to your circumstances. Each year you will be sent details of your total contributions so that if you receive a tax form you can declare the details of your Gift Aid contributions.

The Vestry is grateful for your support in managing the business of the Church. We are all aware our household budgets increase, the Church is no different. Therefore I ask that you consider increasing your contributions to maintain the building/fabric and general running of the Church now and for future generations.

If anyone would like to know more about Gift Aid or about other ways of contributing to the Church, please speak to the Treasurer, Peter Hutchings, or myself.

Rod Key, Gift Aid Secretary

AREA COUNCIL REPORT from Linda Brownlie

At the last Area Council meeting, Rev Dean Norbey spoke to us about the “trypraying” initiative. This is an Edinburgh based initiative which is now extending over much of Scotland and into parts of England. Although people who are already members of churches and familiar with the power of prayer and can use the booklet, it is primarily aimed at those who are not religious and “don’t do church”.

He gave all of us a resource booklet containing guidelines for 7 days of prayer which is aimed at people who do not normally pray. As it says on the front page, “People find praying helps and have had answers. This week you can find out if someone does listen and care.” The idea is that a person uses the praying resource booklet for a week and after reflecting on what may have happened in that time they can either keep it or as is suggested then “lose” it by passing it on to someone else possibly a complete stranger. There are also versions for young people and for children.

He also showed very moving dvd clips of people saying how the booklet and week of prayer had helped them. This is a non-denominational organisation and perhaps the idea is something we could think about further exploring as a congregation. <http://www.trypraying.org>

Food for Thought - MU News

Dorissia and members of Holy Trinity Mothers' Union would like to let all our supports and budding eaters know that this year's International Feast has been postponed until late October. Why am I talking about food when there's not a day goes by when we see on TV, starving mothers and children as well as displaced people in all corners of the world? As most of you know, our branch has raised a lot to give to MU charities in the UK and overseas from the International Feast. It is our way of doing our bit to help in the relief of poverty in our world.

At the G20 Summit in Brisbane last November, world leaders stated that statistics show that there are now more people living in poverty in developed countries than in underdeveloped countries. This is a frightening statistic.

The MU is well-known throughout the world. It surpasses languages and cultures. It has even achieved Special Consultative Status at the United Nations, enabling it to campaign in behalf of many of the marginalised communities of the world on issues of family life.

We are all united in prayer and fellowship with many hands stretched across the world. We pray for God's blessings on the continued work of our members worldwide.

Dorissia x

We pray 'give us this day our daily bread',
yet we know, Lord, that there are many in our world
who go to bed hungry each day.
Your world has enough, but whilst a few have much,
many have nothing.
We are your hands in this world, your eyes, your ears.
May we through our lives and our understanding
help to bring your daily bread to all of your people.



Jennie Jones – from Mothers' Union – The Prayers We Breathe

Saint of the Month – St. Boniface 5th June

It is some time since I have written about an English saint so I thought I would make that good by choosing for this month a truly remarkable Saint from England who played an important part in fashioning Europe. On leaving England, at a time when Christianity was by no means well established, he took the gospel to Europe and successfully laid the foundation stone of Christianity in the Germanic lands east of the Rhine.

St Boniface was born as Winfrid, Wynfrith or Wynfryth, in the Anglo-Saxon kingdom of Wessex at Crediton in Devon in the latter quarter of the seventh century. He came of a wealthy family and against his father's wishes entered a monastery at Exeter, and from there went to a Benedictine monastery at Nursling in Hampshire where he wrote and taught Latin, and was the author of a Latin grammar "*Ars Grammatica*". He was ordained at the age of thirty. When the Abbot of the Monastery died he was elected to succeed him but refused and instead in 716 set out on a mission to Frisia, where he spent a year doing missionary work and preaching. He was thwarted in his efforts however by a war being conducted by the king of the

Franks, Charles Martel and subsequently returned to Nursling.

He spent a year at Nursling but with his missionary zeal still high, he left England for the last time to continue with his missionary work in Europe. He realised that it would help him if he had the Papal Authority for his mission. He therefore went straight to Rome and Pope Gregory II gave him the name Boniface (after a legendary fourth century martyr) and appointed him as a missionary Bishop in what is now Germany and Austria, but at that time was occupied by Franks, some of whom were Christians, and Saxons who were mainly Pagan.

Returning to Germania he sought the protection of Charles Martel the King of the Franks, and while the latter sought to bring the Pagan Saxons to Christianity by the sword, Boniface preached to them baptised them and persuaded them to turn from their Pagan gods. There is a legend that in one community where there was a large oak tree which the local Pagans venerated as dedicated to Thor. Boniface, said he would cut it down. The Pagans said that if he touched it he would be struck down. Nevertheless Boniface started

chopping away at the trunk, though to the Pagans' amusement, not to great effect. All of a sudden there came a mighty wind which leaving Boniface untouched, snapped off the oak, bringing it to the ground. The result was the mass conversion of the Pagans in that area.

In 732 Boniface returned to Rome again to report to Pope Gregory III who now made him an Archbishop. This gave him authority to oversee Frankish Priests, who while keeping some sort of Christian faith alive, had lost contact with the Roman hierarchy. Boniface set about bringing them back to the fold and formed the beginnings of a properly organised system for the church. Boniface returned to Rome again to report to the Pope five years later and was now made Papal Legate for Germany. This gave him further authority to reform the church in Germania. With the goodwill of Charles Martell and his son Carloman, Boniface set up four dioceses in Bavaria and ruled over them as Archbishop and Metropolitan for all Germany. In 742 he was acknowledged as the first Archbishop of Mainz. He now used the authority he had to improve the organisation of the church in Germania and further rein in the Frankish Priests. He also oversaw the founding of abbeys and

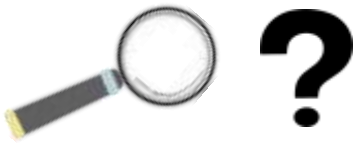
churches, including the Abbey of Fulda where his remains now rest.

In 754 Boniface set out on what was to be his last missionary journey. He had always wanted to complete the conversion of the Frisians which had been interrupted in his early days and he returned there with a retinue. He converted and baptised a large number of people and he called a meeting of converts for confirmation. The meeting was, however, hijacked by Pagan robbers who attacked Boniface and his followers. Boniface trying to prevent killing and perhaps influence the robbers to do likewise, ordered those of his followers who were armed to lay down their weapons. It was futile however, and the robbers slew the aged Archbishop and plundered his baggage. They were looking for money and plate but when they forced open the boxes only found books and papers which they destroyed in their fury. He is alleged to have held a bible aloft to try and ward off the blows and legend has it that it was pierced by one of the robber's swords. After the attack some converts salvaged three books, now held as relics at Fulda Abbey, and one shows signs of a sword cut which bears out this legend.

Pictures of St. Boniface usually depict him with an axe and a tree

stump or with a bible pierced with a sword.

One can but marvel at a man with all the attributes of Boniface; learned; a statesman and diplomat; an able administrator; and full of missionary zeal that made the Germanic lands Christian. St Boniface is recognised as the Apostle of the Germans and is the Patron Saint of Germany.



Youth Fellowship Programme June

14th June – Mystery Night

21st June – Aberdour Beach BBQ

YF is for young adults, from first year of High School and up. Meetings are held in the church hall from 18:00 to 20:00 unless otherwise stated. £2 per person per night.

Contact Andrew Wedge: wedge-pars@hotmail.com



Garden Party

Sarah Hunt, who lives at Logie House, Crossford, has very kindly offered the use of her beautiful garden for a joint St Margaret's and Holy Trinity Garden Party on **Saturday 18th July** in the afternoon. Bishop David will be joining us.

I am sure this will be a great afternoon and a good chance to meet HT friends and new people too. So that we have some idea of numbers, please either sign the sheet in the vestibule at church or let me know if you would like to attend - Linda Brownlie 01383 410501



DUTY ROTA FOR JUNE

DATE	WELCOME	BREAD & WINE	COLLECTION	SERVERS	READERS	INTER.
7 June	Pam Lynn Sarah Cromwell	Malcolm & Yvonne Gosling	Doreen Esnol Helen Dalgity	Rebecca Cromwell Brendan Grimley Pam Lynn	Eve Gilchrist Muriel McKenzie	Polly St. Aubyn
14	Stephen & Hilary Ballinger	Fay Spink Barbara Key	Alex McGilvary Frances Jack	Rebecca Fleming Linda Brownlie Rod Key	Tony Clapham Dorissia Forsyth	Brian Smith
21	Jack Wardell & Linda Sherwood	Adrienne Lyon Muriel McKenzie	Eve Gilchrist Monica Terry	Andrew Wedge Fay Cuthbertson Isobel Thomson	Brian Smith Caroline King	Linda Brownlie
28	Pam Lynn & George Philp	Brenda & John Waterfield	Stephen & Hilary Ballinger	Rod Key Andy Nicholl Muriel McKenzie	Malcolm Gosling Yvonne Gosling	Malcolm Gosling
5 July	Yvonne Gosling Malcolm Gosling	Wendy Stephen Janice Mohr	George & Agnes Philp	Rebecca Cromwell Brendan Grimley Pam Lynn	Helen Dalgity Gill Wardell	Elaine Cromwell

Readings for June			
7 June	1 Samuel 8: 4-11,16-20	2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1	Mark 3: 20-35
14	1 Samuel 15: 34-16:13	2 Corinthians 5: 6-10,14-17	Mark 4: 26-34
21	1 Samuel 17: 32-49	2 Corinthians 6: 1-13	Mark 4: 35-41
28	2 Samuel 1: 1,17-27	2 Corinthians 8: 7-15	Mark 5: 21-43
5 July	2 Samuel 5: 1-5,9-10	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10	Mark 6: 1-13

Just a short report to say that the 50/50 club still has a few numbers available. So any friends or family who wish to join will be welcome with open arms! We currently have 18 numbers still available. The 1st prize is set at £100. I should also add that when all 3 prizes went to Vestry members recently, this was just coincidence or chance, whichever way your mind works. I personally have won nothing despite having a number for a few years!

So just to reiterate if you know of anyone who would like to join, please let me or Linda know.

James Geldart

May 50/50 Club winners

1 st	Brendan Grimley	No. 3	£100.00
2 nd	Peter Hutchings	No. 32	£70.00
3 rd	Linda Sherwood	No. 23	£35.00

2 Corinthians 9:8

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Treasurer's Report

The annual budget is Income £49,800 and Expenditure £54,500 giving a deficit of £4,700. At the end of April the income was £37,572 and the expenditure £24,715 giving a surplus of £12,857.

The Rector's Fund is for the needy of the parish. The current total to hand is £359.

Peter Hutchings

Who's Who at HOLY TRINITY

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	Yvonne Gosling	851605
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HT 50/50 Club	James Geldart	734997
	Linda Sherwood	416558
	Doreen Esnol	621054
	John Kennedy	740910
Sunday Coffee	Doreen Esnol	621054
	Helen Dalgity	726350
Hall Booking	Linda Sherwood	416558

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The 8.00am Eucharist will continue to be held on the first
Sunday of the month until further notice.



Next Copy Deadline

22nd June 2015

(magazines in church 5th July
Double edition for summer)

Please send any articles or notices to Elaine, preferably by email: ecromwell@thomsoncooper.com

We don't charge for the magazine but donations towards the printing costs are gratefully received.

I would like to hear what you think about the magazine. What do you like/dislike? What do you want more or less of? Do you have something that you would like to contribute on a regular basis? Any other suggestions? Please do let me know.

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If you are a Tax Payer making donations to the church and you are not already registered for Gift Aid, please speak to **Rod Key** or a member of Vestry who will help you. Alternatively simply fill in one of the yellow gift aid envelopes that are available in the vestibule and on the pews.