

Church News

ST SAVIOUR'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wednesday - 11.00am Said Eucharist

Sunday - 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist (Young Church and Crèche meet at the same time)

The Church is open during the week for quiet and prayer.

Sunday 22 Nov
10.00 Confirmation by The Most Revd David Chillingworth, Bp of St Andrew's, Primus.

Sunday 29 Nov
10.00 Advent Sunday. Sung Eucharist

Christmas Services 2009

Sunday 13 Dec
18.30 Advent 3. 9 Lessons & Carols followed by mulled wine & mince pies in St Saviour's Hall.

Saturday 19 Dec
18.00 Carol singing in the village, starting at St Saviour's.

Sunday 20 Dec
10.00 Advent 4. Eucharist & Nativity Play.

Thursday 24 Dec
16.00 Christmas Eve Crib Service

Thursday 24 Dec
23.00 Christmas Eve Midnight Mass

Friday 25 Dec
10.00 Christmas Day Eucharist

Sunday 27 Dec
10.00 St John the Evangelist
Sung Eucharist

Sunday 3 Jan 2010
10.00 Epiphany Sung Eucharist

Sunday 10 Jan 10.00
Baptism of the Lord
Sung Eucharist followed by St Saviour's AGM

BRIDGE OF ALLAN PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 6 Dec
Gift Service when the children and adults are asked to bring toys (unwrapped) that will be given to the Salvation Army.

Sunday 13 Dec
Communion with two services - 11.00 and 18.00 to which all are welcome. Retiring Offering for Help the Heroes.

Sunday 20 Dec
Nativity Sunday when the children of the Sunday School present their Nativity Play. In the evening singing carols around Residential Homes in Bridge of Allan and Cornton.

Christmas Eve
19.00 early evening service for families, then at 11.30 there will be a Watchnight Service with carols being sung from 11.00 onwards. After this service mulled wine served in the Chalmers Hall

Christmas morning
A short service at 10.00.
Everyone is, as always, welcome at any or all of the services.

All offerings at the Christmas services will go to CHAS. There will also be an opportunity to give toiletries to both Women's Aid and Cornton Vale.

LECROPT KIRK

Morning Worship every Sunday 11.15 - all welcome. There is a Sunday School and Creche and we are always delighted to welcome more children

Evening Service on the first Sunday of the month from September to May at 6pm

Services during Advent:

Sunday 29 Nov
11.15 Ordination and Admission of Elders

Sunday 6 Dec
11.15 Sacrament of Holy Communion
18.00 Evening Service

Sunday 13 Dec
11.15 Morning Worship

Sunday 20 Dec
Family Service including Sunday School nativity play

Christmas Services
Thursday 24 Dec
18.00 Family Service
11.15 Watchnight Service

Friday 25 Dec
10.00 Family Service

Christmas Activities:
Thursday 16 December
19.30 Christmas Carol Concert with Renton Thomson Ensemble. Tickets available from Lecropt Kirk or tel 01786 832382

Saturdays 28 Nov, 5, 12 & 19 Dec
14.00 - 17.00 "Drop the Kids and Shop"
Childrens activities for age 3+ in the Kirk Hall - booking essential tel 01786 826832

Alastair Brown

BY ALLAN BROWN

When Alastair Brown was asked to be Treasurer for this magazine, he accepted the invitation without hesitation. And this was typical - always willing to help and to be of service.

Alastair was born in Cambusbarron in 1935, his father being a partner in a legal practice in Stirling. When the time came to choose a career, Alastair's love of nature and the outdoors meant that he decided against law and chose horticulture instead.

After college he went on to work in a number of local authorities throughout the country and was part of a team who exhibited (and won) at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. Latterly he was Landscape Manager with Cumbernauld Development Corporation, responsible for plantings and displays throughout that area. For those of us without that special touch, gardening can be a fickle business - when to

prune, when to move plants, and how to arrange the garden such that something is always in bloom. Alastair made this seem all too easy, and was always available with advice (but only when asked). His own garden was testament to his wide-ranging horticultural knowledge gained over many years.

Alastair's other interests included golf, skiing and hill walking, and this latter pursuit took him to Bhutan, South America and throughout Europe.

A true gentleman, Alastair was always kind, warm and friendly. He liked nothing better than to be in the company of family and friends, with good food, a glass or two of wine, and enjoyable conversation.

Alastair died on 7 August 2009 and is survived by his wife Sheila and sons Andrew and Graham.

He is sadly missed by all those who knew him.



Alastair in his colourful garden