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CONGREGATIONAL OUTING



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THE PUTTING AND THE BBQ





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News from Magazine Convener

It has often been said, that mid-summer months are a quiet time of year for Ministers and churches. That has certainly not been the case this year for Carnoustie Trinity and both Ministers mention this in their articles on page 3. Services at Carnoustie Church ceased as preparations for the next phase of the redevelopment moved forward. Sale of Carnoustie Panbride Church was concluded on 8 August 2025 (please note the article in The Courier just days after that about a forthcoming auction of the building was organised by the new owner and not by the Church of Scotland).

In addition, the August issue of Life and Work – the independent magazine of the Church of Scotland for 146 years – was the last one to be published. A sign of the times for newspapers and magazines. Communicating to a mass audience will go on and pod casts, social media and on-line worship will likely feature in the future.

Personally, I have advised the Kirk Session that it is my wish to step down from my position of Magazine Convenor. The Kirk Session were told this before the change in my personal circumstances occurred. I have indicated I will be willing to help a successor and pass on information about the systems I have in place and learned from experience over many years up until the magazine due in February 2026 but that will be my final magazine.

David Taylor

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Musings from the Manse



What a wonderful summer it has been weatherwise. Lots of warm sunny days to enjoy. When I was studying for the Ministry, my various supervisors would often say the same thing, 'Use the summer months to catch up on those things that you haven't had time to do, and to forward plan'.

Oh, if only!

It has been quite a busy summer one way or the other. Usually in July there are no Presbytery meetings or Kirk Session meetings but there are always meetings of some sort going on and there is always something to do. And so, this summer I have not had the chance to catch up or to forward plan. No matter how well organised I am, I never seem to get to the bottom of my 'to do' list and there are always still items to be ticked off.

The tasks on my 'to do list' are numbered 1,2, and 3 in order of what I think are my priorities for that particular week. I very rarely get around to the number 3s.

I sometimes wonder what God thinks of my 'to do list' and feel quite sure he would re prioritise some of the tasks on it. Either that or he would say to me what Jesus says to Martha when she is so busy in the kitchen with the pots and pans,

'you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed.'

I must try harder to remember God's 'to do list' and what his priorities are.

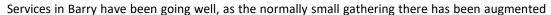
'For my yoke is easy and my burden is light' (Matthew 11: 30)

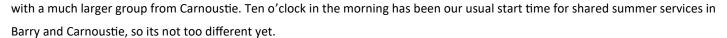
Blessings, Annette

More Musings from the Manse

Dear friends

On Dundee Street the former Philip Hall has been undergoing massive changes under its new owner, who is converting the interior into two homes. Meanwhile, across the road the pews have been steadily marching out of Carnoustie Church... well, not so much marching, but you get the idea. Already the size of the floor space was so much more apparent, as final preparations were made for the start of the renovations.





However, once September comes, with joint Guild Dedication, BB & GA Enrolment, and the Harvest Thanksgiving services in Barry, the change to our usual routine will be more obvious. By then we hope to have a better idea of the timescale for the renovations in Carnoustie.

And for those who normally worship at the East end of the town, services continue in Newton Panbride at 11 am, with no move to the country for the summer. The sale of Panbride country church has concluded, after a great deal of hard work from Annette, the office-bearers and others.

Can we stop the bus and take a break? Sometimes it feels like the pace of change is exhausting. Changes to our congregational structures; to our buildings; to the way we do things and the way things are done. Yet the Lord is unchanging. When we open ourselves to His direction we find that His yoke is easy, and His burden is light.

When it feels like we're being overwhelmed, that's when we need to find our rest in the Saviour's arms, for Jesus will carry us through the storm to His peace.

"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6: 31-33



Barry Guild

Barry Guild Afternoon teas

Thursday 28th August 2 - 4 pm—Afternoon Tea Picnic Time

£4 pp with usual baking stall and entertainment, everyone very welcome .

Thursday 30th October 2 - 4pm—Halloween Afternoon Tea

£4 pp with usual baking stall and entertainment, everyone very welcome.

Barry Guild Syllabus 2025/26

Whose we are and whom we serve

Let us build a house.

Project Playful Beginnings Crossreach

Our new session Guild Meeting's start on Thursday 4th September in Barry Church hall 2pm

4th September Rev. Mike Goss

7th September Dedication Service 10am in Barry Church
2nd October Summer Rose Crafts with Sharon Spink

6th November Floral Art with Lorna Yule
4th December Christmas Afternoon Tea

Shirley Murison

Carnoustie Guild

Despite the building in Dundee Street being emptied in preparation for the long-awaited renovations, the Guild is meeting there each month.

We receive messages from the headquarters in Edinburgh - a newsletter, and instructions and appeals, as well as information.

Recently we were invited to apply for a position as trustee- Church of Scotland is looking to recruit.

Also here are the latest totals reached for the current 4 projects that the national Guild supports.

The theme is "Let us Build a House"

1.	Bear Necessities - Build My Church- in Bulgaria	£19,825.47
2.	Release International - Operation Hope- Egypt	£20,647.55
3.	Scottish Bible Society - Bibles for Bairns- Scotland	£26,843.74
4.	CrossReach - Playful Beginnings - Scotland	£31,959.21

Before you read this we'll have heard about Operation Hope in Egypt.

Join us if you can on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Sandra Dow (Treasurer)

MONEY MATTERS

Did you know?

We have about 900 members but only 1 in 3 give by traceable means. Are you one of the 300 who do give or one of the 600 who do not?

Coffee & Chat

Coffee and Chat restarts on
Wednesday August 27th in the
Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride
Church, Arbroath Road
10 a.m. until 11 a.m.
All welcome.

F.O.G. (Friends of God) Squad

Note: - We don't have a date yet for FOG Squad – there are still staffing issues and it is likely it won't restart until after the October holidays.

JAFFA - Jesus And Fun For All

We are looking forward to JAFFA sessions for senior school pupils starting again on **Sunday 14**th **September**. We meet at 11.00am in the Panbride Hall on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

We explore, in a very friendly group setting, how lessons from the bible can guide us in dealing with problems in today's world and we do group activities to help others, to support our church and sometimes just for fun.

We would love to welcome other young people to join us.

Please phone or text 07903496348 for more information.

Susan and Janie

Hall Lets

Barry and Newton Panbride have various sizes of Halls and rooms which are available for hire.

In the first instance contact should be made with Jan Scott 01241 852884 for information relating to the Hall at Barry Church.

For halls at Newton Panbride the first contact should be made by e-mail to secretary@carnoustietrinity.org.uk

MONEY MATTERS

Did you know?

That in an average month our expenditure exceeds our income?

Volunteers for AV Desk

We would like to increase the group of volunteers who operate the audio visual system at Newton Panbride Church. After training you will join the rota which is generally 1 week in 4.

The rota is flexible and holidays or other events will be worked around. If interested in joining the group please speak initially to me or to George Gordon.

David Taylor

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Putting competition and BBQ

Putting competition took place on a sun soaked balmy June evening with over 30 people enjoying taking part after which they adjourned to Carnoustie manse where Mike was in charge of the BBQ and Rhona had prepared a delicious spread.



There were 'holes in one' for Irene, Dorothy and Lynn. Dorothy and Lynn receiving their 'mint with hole' from Mike.

Thanks again to all who took part in this very enjoyable event and to Mike and Rhona for their hospitality.



The best team score trophy was won by Martin Fair, Valerie Russell, Kathleen and John Porter with Kathleen winning the best ladies score trophy and John the men's.



Flower Calendars

Carnoustie				
available dates				
like to donate flowers please check that for				
There is a calendar at the church door. If you would				

August	Mrs A Duncan
	Mrs K Reid
	Mrs Fenton
September	Mrs S Oswald
	Mrs R Goss
	Mrs B Grant
October	Mrs P Milne
	Mrs D Muir
	Mrs J Crain
November	Mrs D Edwards
	Mrs B Picken
December	Miss P Robertson
	Mrs M Duffus
	Mrs M Gruber

Newton Panbride

Month	Date	Names
September	7th	Moira Cowan, Joan Forson
	14th	Alison Scott
	21st	Janice Sturrock, Elaine Devanay
	28th	Harvest Thanksgiving
October	5th	Eleanor Whammond
	12th	Kathleen Fulton
	19th	Anne Stewart
	26th	Anne Clark, Diane Smith
November	2nd	Pat Geekie
	9th	Maureen Low
	23rd	Gillian Cook
	30th	Rita Clark
December	7th	Allyson McDonald

MAF

From subsistence to food security in PNG

The village of Ambi is perched on a mountain plateau above Papua New Guinea's Strickland River. With no road access, the community is extremely isolated — the local population depending heavily on subsistence farming.

Essential supplies are flown in, with MAF's recent delivery of a rice mill transforming the lives of those living in Ambi and stirring hope and excitement among the locals.

According to Helson, one of Ambi's residents, 'There aren't any roads coming to our village. Everything is so expensive for us, everything we [obtain]. As we are able to grow rice here, which seems to turn out well, we thought it's worth getting a rice milling machine. 'Up to now, we had lots of rice coming from town. For it to get here is really expensive. 'That's why we got the rice mill so we can process the rice we're growing here and eat it straight away. Thanks to MAF for bringing the machine.'

Among those on board the flight delivering this particular piece of farming equipment was MAF Traffic Officer George Dahl. 'Upon landing,' George said, 'we were met by a vibrant crowd. They were excited to see the aircraft and the new rice mill that will help farmers mill and de-husk rice in their own community — saving money and encouraging them to keep growing rice. 'The trip helped me realise that MAF is a lifeline, reaching people where no other access exists.'

MAF Pilot Bridget Ingham says the delivery brought self-reliance to the village. 'I was intrigued, because you don't think of PNG as being a rice growing country. However, knowing the amount of rainfall that the area around Ambi receives, it makes sense for someone to try. 'To get rice previously, they had to fly it in from the nearest town at significant expense, so it was a privilege to bring something useful to the community. Rather than just flying in consumables like rice, we delivered a machine to process it.'

Give thanks for the joy MAF brings to remote communities throughout Papua New Guinea, praying that the villagers' attempts to farm and mill rice will prove successful.

Irene Hoar

Carnoustie Church Building Project

Let's renovate the inside of the church and make it more suitable for community use!! It seems like years ago these words were spoken first and yes it was over 10 years ago that serious plans began to be formed. To the simple person, like myself, I thought it would be a fairly easy thing to remove the pews, put in new heating, install a kitchen and a few toilets as long as the right people were found to make up the plans. But boy was I wrong!!

The General Trustees (GT's) in Edinburgh were consulted and we were told in no uncertain terms that yes, we could go ahead but first we had to have every penny of the money it would cost in place. We also had to make sure the building was wind and watertight before any internal work could begin. The community had to be consulted to ensure that once the renovations were complete, the building would be used regularly. The GTs also had to approve the plans once they had been drawn up by an approved architect. Then to top it all, Covid struck and prices rose rapidly. Our fundraising began again in earnest.

The Philip Hall took longer to sell than was first anticipated which delayed things. Then in February 2025, when we thought we had all the money, the Government changed the goalposts concerning VAT refund grants through the Listed Places of Worship Scheme, restricting claims to £25,000. This meant we had to begin applying for funding grants again to make up the difference. While we were on target to get the funds together, we were not allowed to make any changes in the building till the full amount was safely in the bank or accounted for. The basic plans were approved but we had to decide, before any work could commence, our choices in floor coverings, chairs, position of all the electrical sockets and radiators, agree fire alarm system, layout of kitchen, which cisterns to use in the new toilets, etc., there seemed to be an endless list. Then the GTs were given all the details, including precise financial statements showing that the funds were in place, so that they could finally give permission for the work to begin. Nothing at all could be done until that approval was received and it was wonderful when that final YES came through.

Tenders were prepared and sent out to the list of approved firms and we could start removing pews and getting the building ready for the work to begin. We are at the stage now, as I write this, that most of the pews have been removed with only 5 left for sale. Cupboards have been dismantled and moved, chairs stacked and lots of items packed up ready to put into storage. We are now just waiting to find out which firms have been chosen to do the work and how soon they can begin. It has been a long difficult journey and certainly not as straightforward as I anticipated. Huge thanks must go to the Project Team who have worked long and hard to get to this stage. Let the renovations commence!!

Irene Hoar

CARNOUSTIE TRINITY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND - Charity no. SC015146 CARNOUSTIE CHURCH CHAIR APPEAL

Our design team hope to issue tenders to contractors within the next week or so, with work hopefully starting early to mid-August 2025.



We require approx. 210 chairs in order to accommodate community events, larger funerals, etc.

The chairs we have identified are suitable for our needs and can be easily stacked and stored.

Please note the pictures are for illustrative purposes only but are a reasonable representation.



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What's on - Make a note in your calendar

WEEKLY Sunday Morning Worship Barry 10 a.m.(will probably change when clocks change) Newton Panbride 11 a.m.

Monday Prayer Group Contact Mike or Irene for venue

Wednesday Coffee and Chat Panbride Hall 10a.m. resumed on 27th August

EVENTS

September

- 2 Needles & Pins Session Room at Newton Panbride Church at 10.30 am
- 4 Barry Guild resumes Barry Church Hall 2 pm Carnoustie Choir resumes – Barry Church Hall 7.30 pm
- 7 Guild Dedications Barry Church 10 am
 Barry Litter Pick from Barry Church at 1.30 pm
 Barry Community Group Barry Church 3 pm
- 9 Finance Team Session Room, Newton Panbride Church at 4 pm
- 10 Carnoustie Guild: Guild Week Carnoustie Church at 2 pm
- 14 Boys Brigade & Girls Association Enrolment Service Barry Church 10 am
- 16 Needles and Pins Session Room at Newton Panbride Church at 10.30 am
- 24 Kirk Session Panbride Hall Newton Panbride Church at 7 for 7.15 pm

October

- 7 Needles and Pins Session Room Newton Panbride Church at 10.30 am
- 8 Carnoustie Guild 2 pm Defibrillators in Carnoustie
- 15 Kirk Session Panbride Hall Newton Panbride Church at 7 for 7.15 pm
- 16 Needles and Pins Session room Newton Panbride Church at 10.30 am
- 25 Coffee Morning—Panbride Hall, Newton Panbride Church at 10 am
- 26 Joint Communion Service Barry Church 10 am
- 30 Afternoon Tea Barry Church Hall 2 pm 3.30 pm

November

- 4 Needles and Pins Session Room Newton Panbride Church at 10.30 am
- 6 Barry Guild Floral Art with Lorna Yule
- 9 Remembrance Day Services –
 Panbride Cemetery 9.45 am
 Barry Church 10.30 am
 Newton Panbride Church Arbroath Road 10.45 am
 Town War Memorial 12.30 pm
- 12 Carnoustie Guild Barry Church Hall at 2 p.m.
- 21 Christmas Themed Night—Panbride Hall, Newton Panbride Church at 7 pm

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Newton Panbride

Funerals:

Jim Weir 19th June 2025 *

Charles Brown 25th June 2025 *

Pat Taylor 15th July 2025 *

*I Denotes Member

Congregational Register

Carnoustie

Deaths These are now recorded by date of death

"Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

May 4 Mrs Grace Strachan (Monifieth South Angus)

June 18 Charles Haggart * June 29 Mrs Jean Soutar*

July 7 Derek Armstrong* Aug 7 Ronald Reid

Obituary for Mrs Pat Taylor 1947 – 2025

As a church family, we were saddened to hear of the death of Pat Taylor.

Pat was a deeply loved member of our congregation and was well known and much respected in the community of Carnoustie.

Pat lived in Carnoustie for almost all of her life, attending Panbride School and being awarded with the Dux Medal in her final year there. Later she would marry her husband David at Newton Panbride Church in 1974.

Pat was a member of the Congregational Board of Carnoustie Panbride Church and was on the Social Committee organising many social and fundraising events. For several years, she organised the famous Safari Suppers and was still an active member of the Social & Fundraising Team of Carnoustie Trinity right up until her recent illness. Pat's famous fruit crumbles were legendary at the church's Soup & Sweet. With her love of needlework Pat initiated the Needles & Pins, a sewing group at the church, which is still going strong, making items to be sold for church funds. Pat also organised the rota for the church cleaning team which she named the Divine Dusters.

Pat was ordained an Elder in 1991 and was involved in almost every aspect of church life. She represented Carnoustie Panbride at Angus Presbytery for several years and was the freely elected elder and member of Presbytery until last year.

Pat's faith was very important to her. She was it seemed a permanent fixture in our congregation - always ready with a smile and a word of encouragement.

Pat died peacefully in Ninewells Hospital on Tuesday 15th July.

She will be sorely missed by her family, her friends and her church family and the community here in Carnoustie.

Obituary for Charles Brown 1947 – 2025

Mr Charles Brown died peacefully in Antiquary House on Wednesday 11th June. Charles was a well-loved member of our congregation. He was a member of the Congregational Board at Newton Panbride and was tasked with looking after the Health & Safety requirements of our congregation and the care of our church buildings. Charles also helped with the publishing and distribution of the church magazine, Update, and was a regular contributor with one such article being 'Take a Trip down Memory Lane'. Charles was a frequent attender at the Men's Breakfast up until his illness and later enjoyed outings to the Caledonia Golf Club for a coffee with friends in the congregation. Charles loved music and was an accomplished musician being able to play various instruments. At his funeral, his daughter Fiona mentioned that he was the 'music man' of the family, and this was a gift that he happily shared with our congregation. Charles was a doting father to Fiona and Gillian, and proud grandad of Lewis, Katie and Calum. We remain grateful for all the blessing that was in Charles' life and the many years' service he gave to this church and to his Lord. And as we mourn his passing, our deepest sympathy goes to his family, and we ask God's comfort upon them.

Members of Kirk Session

Joyce Brown



My family have been worshiping at Newton Panbride church (now Carnoustie Trinity) for 41 years.

I became an Elder in Panbride Church 34 years ago

I became Presbytery Elder 7 years ago .

Several years ago I was Sunday School teacher in the Junior Dept

I am on the Fund Raising and Social Committee.

Margaret Jamieson



I have been an Elder in Panbride Church since 1999.

My District starts at West Path and includes Kirkton Terrace, Thistle Street, North Burnside Street & Shamrock Street.

I have been Property Convenor since March 2024 and I work with four others in a team to repair/upgrade the churches, halls and the manses.

Shirley Murison



I have been an Elder since 1988.

Initially at Barry but now Carnoustie Trinity.

I am the Elder for District 30 and it is primarily Ravensby Road.

I have been the contact person for Barry Guild for many years and continue to do so currently.

In addition to my Church involvement I am a keen Bowler and a member of Carnoustie West End Bowling Club

Kirsten Reid



I have been an Elder for many

years and spent time as
Session Clerk at Carnoustie
Church.
I am currently the Elder for District
32 and this includes part of Barry.
I am also the
Roll Keeper for Carnoustie Trinity
I am currently a member of the
Worship Team primarily for
services at Carnoustie/Barry but
also joint Trinity Services such as

Easter.

Phil Manson



I have been an Elder for over 30 years and currently cover District 8 which is Caesar Avenue.
In addition I have responsibility for management of the Communion Services in Newton Church.

Now retired and my main hobbies are gardening, golf, and snooker.

Linda Nicoll



I have been an eEder for over 30 years and currently cover District 9 which includes Lomond Drive, Lownie Road, Craig Place and Panbride Street.

I was Sunday School Superintendent for many years. I also took on the role of Safeguarding Co-ordinator when it was first introduced and still do it. I was the local Safeguarding Trainer for Angus until I retired in 2019.

Fund raising and Social Committee

Thank you to everyone who supported our stall at the Gala day. Thanks also to the farmers who donated the raspberries and strawberries for us to sell. A big thank you to everyone who maned the stall.

Coffee Morning to be held on 25th October in Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride Church at 10.00 - 11.30. There will be bacon rolls on sale. The cost of the coffee morning will be £3.00, and the bacon rolls will be £3.00. At this coffee morning there will be traybakes on offer, and if anyone would like to donate a traybake we will be very pleased to receive them. There will be no stalls at this coffee morning.

Christmas Themed Night to be held on Friday 21 November in Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride Church at 7 p.m. The cost will be £5.00, and you will receive a glass of wine or soft drink, home-made shortbread and nibbles. There will be various stalls, and we hope we can help you with your Christmas shopping.

Looking ahead to next year

Saturday 7 February Pancake coffee morning in Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride Church at 10.-11.30. Cost will be £3.00. Stalls from Needles and Pins, Cake and Candy and £1.00 bottle bags. We will be delighted to receive any donations of bottles bags, contents must be worth £1.00 or over. More details later.

Next year we are proposing to have a Strawberry afternoon tea, or something along this line. More details later.

News from Needles and Pins

Our group will restart on 2nd September. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Session Room at Newton Panbride Church, Arbroath Road, 10.30 till 11.30. We will be having a stall at coffee morning in November.

We would be delighted to welcome some new members so please do come along on the 2nd September.

The Needles & Pins Group

MONEY MATTERS

Did you know?

If you pay income tax and complete a Gift Aid form Trinity can claim 25p from HMRC for every £1 you donate?

Life & Work Magazine

Sadly, after 146 years, the decision has been made to cease publishing.

August was a free commemorative issue.

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The Friendship Circle

Our meetings restart on **Tuesday 7th October from 2pm – 3.30pm in the Panbride Hall** and will continue on the first and third Tuesday of each month from October to April.

The committee have prepared another interesting and diverse programme for our thirty current members, new members and guests with time for lots of chat over tea, coffee and cakes always included.

Everyone is welcome to join our meetings to get an insight into new subjects, make new friends and enjoy occasional musical entertainment in good company.

Panbride Musical Memories

We restart on **Wednesday 24th September from 2-15pm-3.30pm** and the sessions will continue on the last Wednesday of each month. The team are looking forward to welcoming back all the members we know and love and new folk who want to enjoy a fun, lively, afternoon, singing along to well known songs and chatting over coffee and cakes in caring company.



Our members with dementia really enjoy singing along to familiar songs and

accompanying the singing with tambourines and maracas. Their carers love to see their loved ones so content and feel supported by other carers and our team. We are always delighted to welcome others who love singing to come along to support the singing and enjoy the uplifting atmosphere and fellowship over tea/coffee and cakes. At our last meeting we all enjoyed wonderful entertainment from 'The Twa Grannies'. They loved being with us and we are delighted they want to come back.

A big thank you to everyone who kindly supported our knitted FORGET-ME-NOT brooches initiative at Newton Panbride church. The £54 raised will be used to buy dementia resources including the materials we need to create personal playlists to help with relaxation or stimulation at home or if admission to hospital or a care home is needed.

'A song can bring back a thousand memories'

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I was with a group of friends, having coffee and a natter to put the world to rights. At a nearby table were an American couple. As they were leaving, the man came over and asked if we were local. When we answered yes, he went on to say he hoped we knew how lucky we were to live in such a wonderful town as Carnoustie. He hoped we realised what a gift it was to have this as our home. He left with a cheery smile. The conversation stayed with me. It made me think of all we take for granted.

Living where we do is indeed a great gift. Carnoustie like many places has its problems. But, it's a growing town and growth is needed. I love Carnoustie's "sleepy hollow" feel. To me, it's a wee enclave in a vast, sometimes strange, disturbing world. Carnoustie's location is ideal – the beach and the sea in one direction and countryside in the other. However, Carnoustie's greatest gift is its sense of community. There are clubs, activities, to suit all interests and hobbies. If you are not one for communal activities there are places to walk and people to say hello to in the passing. It's not a place where time has stood still, yet despite its growth, it has retained its identity and sense of place. I think it is a gift to live here.

School holidays are passed and that entails all the back to school activities. In the lead up, in many homes, preparations will have been made. Many gifts will have been given – new bags, new books, new school clothes – the list is endless. Education is a great gift. Whether school days were, "the happiest days of your life" or days to be endured, education is important. Often, it is a gift taken for granted and it is only when we learn about education, or lack of it in other countries, do we realise how lucky we are. Many other gifts are also taken for granted and yet our lives would be so much poorer without them.

The natural world is constantly busy, during the change of seasons yet it is so easy to overlook this gift in the hustle and bustle of our daily lives. In our locality we are truly blessed to have the beauty of nature all around us. Fields are in the near vicinity and roll out gradually rising to distant hills. A vast, magnificent landscape unfolds. Nature has beauty despite the vagaries of the weather. Even in the rain and haar there is a gloomy grandeur. The sea is forever changing but its beauty is a constant. Its colours can change before our eyes. Some days it is calm and benign but at other times its restless swell reminds us of its relentless power. The sound of the sea has a magic of its own, which is always available to those who listen. At night, in the velvet darkness, stars emerge shedding their light. Symbols of wonder and reverence, they are always present. Nature, in all its aspects, is indeed a gift.

There are the more tangible gifts, gifts of friendship, family and love. These gifts tend not to be so overlooked yet we can still take them for granted. As Christians, we have been given a great gift. Our faith depends on our trust and hope in God's love which is always there. Our church community too is a gift. We rely on the giving of those in our church family. Those who give financial gifts, those who give so freely of their time and talents all ensure we have a place to worship. The church needs our gifts. Of course we have been given the greatest gift of all.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" – John 3:16

Gillian Cook

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