



# Markinch Parish Church Sunday Bulletin

*Minister: Revd Alex Forsyth TD BA MTh*

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## *Our Mission*

*To Worship God, Share His love and Serve His World*

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## *Grace To You And Peace*

*During the organ prelude please quietly prepare yourself for sharing in the service by offering a prayer and reading the lessons set for today.*

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**We enter to worship**

**Prelude - music for prayer and meditation**

**HYMN 132 Immortal Invisible**

The Sacrament of Baptism

*Aaron's Blessing 796*

**HYMN 577 Christ Be Beside Me**

*The children continue their service in the hall*

Jeremiah 4.11-12 & 22-28 p 759

1 Timothy 1.12-17 p1191

Luke 15.1-10 p1048

**HYMN 462 The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

Prayers for Help & Healing

**HYMN 555 Amazing Grace**

Sermon

The Offering

**HYMN 167 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah**

The Blessing & Choral Amen

**Postlude - music for prayer and reflection**

**We depart to serve**

*Coffee & Conversation in the Hall*

Glenrothes YMCA is spearheading Foodbank in Glenrothes and requests for food parcels are increasing for reasons such as changes to the benefit system.

## **Some good news about Foodbank.**

This week the Glenrothes Area Committee agreed funding of £19,918 from the local community planning area budget for the establishment and operation of a Foodbank in the Glenrothes area. The councillors supported the request unanimously with full cross party support.

You will shortly see in the press that the Council is making references to the "lead agency for Foodbank in the first instance will be the YMCA, however there is strong and committed support from other organisations in the town including 10 churches, the Rotary and Auchmuty Tenant's and Resident's Association".

Foodbank is going to go from strength to strength and we now don't have to worry about the costs for the first two years. With this in mind please watch out for the advertisement for the part time Development Worker which will be appearing in the local papers this week.

## **What we can do at Markinch Parish Church**

In response to this appeal, a box can be found in the vestibule and if you would like to make a donation of non-perishable foods, please place it in the box on a Sunday, and we will ensure that it is delivered to the Foodbank on a Monday.

They have given a list of suggested food items which they really need as shown below. If anyone would like to donate to this appeal, please hand it in and we will add it to the delivery each week from the church.

**Breakfast** - cereal bars and porridge (microwavable or normal)

**Lunch** - Tinned Soup, Spaghetti or Beans, Macaroni or Ravioli (any tinned quick meal). Rice Pudding, custard, angel delight or jelly.

**Dinner** - Packet Pasta 'n sauce, savoury rice or noodles. Dry pasta or rice with a protein (tinned tuna, corned beef, chicken, ham, etc). Tinned vegetables and a jar or packet sauce (pasta, curry, chilli, sweet & sour etc). Tinned potato with tinned protein meal (mince & onion, stew etc)

**Extras** - tea bags, coffee, long-life milk

The idea is to be able to provide a person with a complete meal, but they can only take tinned and dried products rather than fresh meat dairy and bakery as it cannot be stored appropriately. The supermarket budget brands are ideal for making a contribution without breaking the bank.

## Update



**Welcome.** We hope you will feel at home and among friends. Visitors please sign our visitors book in the church vestibule. After the service join us for coffee and a chat in the hall. If you would like information about the Church or any of the organisations please see a member of the welcome team. The reader today is Grant Taylor.

**Ministers Vestry Hour** 12 noon - 1.00 pm. Please contact the Minister for an appointment - phone 01592-758264 or E-mail [alex@arforsyth.com](mailto:alex@arforsyth.com) In the event of hospitalisation, serious illness, family anxiety, bereavement or personal difficulty the Minister is readily available to visit **but you have to let him know if he can be of help.**

**The baby being baptised** this morning is Jacob James Howie.

**Coffee Mornings** on Thursdays from 10.00am-11.30am in the church hall. Join us for tea or coffee and a chat. You are always welcome.

**The Harvest Thanksgiving Service** is on Sunday 29th when any non-perishable food donations will be given to Foodbank.

**The Harvest Lunch** will take place following the service on Sunday 29th September. The meal will consist of a three course meal, and tickets priced at £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children will be available each Sunday up until 22nd September from Jennifer or Ian Watt (Tel. 01592 611881)

**Craft Items** are available for sale in the hall for church funds. If you wish to donate any unwanted craft items, fabric, threads, wool, etc please contact Marianne Sankey, Meg Sankey or Karen Wood.

**Communion Coin Collection** boxes are available in the church vestibule. The collection will go towards the installation of a lift at the church steps.

**Youth Club** - the youngsters of the YC are setting up a library and any donations of children's books would be greatly appreciated. Please hand them to Tracy Thomson or leave them in the church hall.

**Training Courses** The Youth Club is a member of Youth 1st, who organise training courses. The courses on offer this session are advertised on the YC notice board and if anyone in the congregation is interested in attending any of the courses on offer please contact Tracy Thomson.

**Christian Hope International** Four large boxes of knitting have been posted to this organisation. Thank you to everyone who has so kindly knitted items, but don't stop as the fifth box is nearly filled. Please contact Tracy for more details.

**Dr Bob Grant's Walk for Maggie's Centre** At a Maggie's fundraiser last night, Dr Bob announced that the total raised so far now stands at over £15000. You can still donate money either directly to Bob, at the Markinch Pharmacy or online at <http://fundraise.maggiescentres.org/bobswalk>

**East Fife Male Voice Choir** concert at Torbain Parish Church, Kirkcaldy on Friday 27th September at 7.30pm. Tickets from Tracy Thomson, price £6 each.

**The Flowers in Church** today are gifted by Bill Massie in loving memory of Jessie, on what would have been their 45th wedding anniversary.