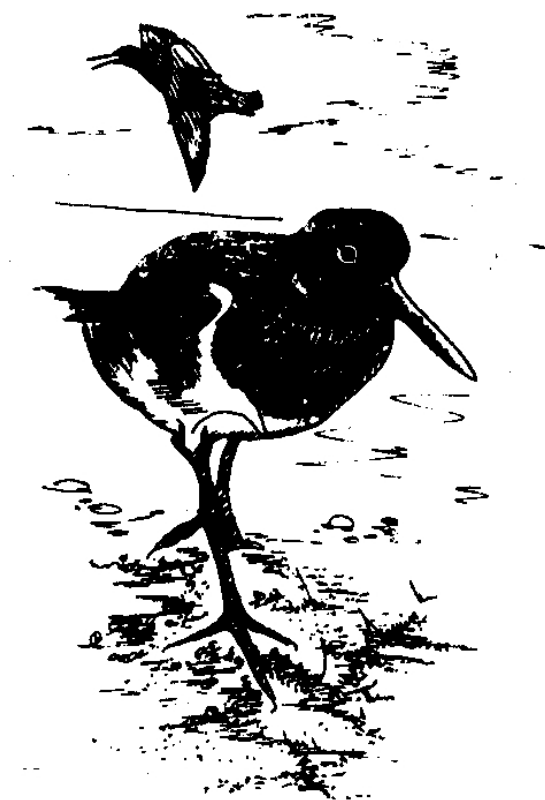


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THE RECTOR'S COLUMN

My dear friends,

On Sunday 25 September Dr Kevin Francis, our new Assistant Curate, was ordained Deacon in the Chapel of the University of Glasgow. The distinctive role of Deacons, both within the Liturgy and within the community of faith, has often been ignored within the Anglican tradition, but in recent years, we have come to appreciate, as never before, the ministry of Deacons.

Deacons are ordained to serve both the community and the world. Within the Liturgy the Deacon acts as Master of Ceremonies preparing the altar at the Offertory and giving such as instructions as may be required to the gathered faithful. Indeed, Kevin began his first service as Deacon at St Bride's by inviting us to process in peace around our Church, and, with similar words, he dismissed us at the end of the Liturgy.

Mindful that Deacons traditionally visited the poor and the needy giving alms and assistance on behalf of the Church, Kevin will assist me in visiting those within our community who are unwell or, through age or infirmity, are unable to come to Church. In this he will seek to be faithful to Jesus "*who*", declared Saint Paul in his first Letter to the Christians of Philippi, "*did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*"

It would be very wrong, however, to imagine that the role of Deacons is a largely subservient one and that Deacons exist merely to do the bidding of the Bishop and his Presbyters. Deacons are also messengers, ordained to proclaim good news to the Church and to the world. Indeed, the most important task that the Deacon undertakes within the Liturgy is that of reading the Gospel. In this role the Deacon stands as an icon of the Archangel Gabriel, who announced to the world the birth of a Saviour. Indeed, the tassels found on the back of the Dalmatic, the tunic-like garment worn by the Deacon in the Liturgy, are symbolic of the wings of the archangel.

The Deacon traditionally reads the Gospel from the “Gradus”, the step into the Choir, which is seen as the symbolic interface between the Church and the world. Above the step lies the Choir and the Sanctuary where the prayers and liturgies of the Church are offered. Below lies the Nave where the people gather and where, in mediaeval times, people would sleep and eat and do business. Thus, if the role of the Priest is to preside over the community of the faithful, the role of the Deacon is to be present at the place where the church and the world meets, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world and bringing before the church the needs of all. Much of this proclamation is prophetic and in this the Deacon seeks to be faithful to Jesus who often proclaimed uncomfortable and unpalatable truths to the faithful and honourable people of his day.

I pray that as we welcome Kevin into our midst as a newly ordained Deacon, we would with joy and courage accept his ministry of service and proclamation within our community. But more than this, I pray that we would all be inspired, by his ministry among us, to play our part in serving those in need and sharing good news with those who are desolate.

With love and prayers,

Fr James

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

All Souls’ Day

There will be a Eucharist with hymns at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday 2 November to celebrate the Feast of All Souls. If you would like a loved one remembered, please include their name on the list at the back of the Church.

Visiting the Church

The Church will be open for visitors on Sunday 16 October from 12.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. and on Saturday 22 October from 9.00 a.m. to midday.

ST BRIDE'S WOMEN'S GROUP

At our meeting held on 8 September Jan Carlisle mentioned our plans for the next meeting which is entitled "Photographs, Past and Present". It would be nice to have a scrapbook showing photos of the women in the SBWG. Veronica knows a couple of photographers who may be able to come along and take individual photos but this is to be confirmed. If all else fails, Kathy has offered to take photos to the best of her ability! Please bring along a photo or two of yourselves that you like to show around. Jan has asked Father James to let us look at any other photos of people of St Bride's. We can be looking at these while the individual photos are being taken.

There will be a coffee meeting at Kathy Thomas' house one morning in November, when the Christmas Party arrangements and next year's programme will be discussed. The date will be announced shortly, and all are welcome. Kathy asked to be kept informed of anyone she may send a card to from the SBWG.

Opening prayer – Father Kenneth. Mark 4 v 35. After the reading, Father Kenneth prayed for all those in our group and members of the congregation who are unwell.

Jan introduced our speakers for the afternoon from Hyndland Parish Church, Eileen Merry and Maggie Gray, who talked about their trip to the 2010 Passion Play at Oberammergau. Eileen gave the presentation while Maggie showed us a slide show of the Passion Play and a few of their trip and the people who went. Maggie organised the coach trip for forty five people last year. She and Eileen had been to the performance in 2000 and decided to arrange their own trip. Their journey covered 3000 miles over twelve days. The first performance was in 1634 and the play has continued every ten years ever since. Five thousand people attend each performance. It is held five times a week between May and October. The play runs for five hours over two sessions. At the 2000 performance this was during the morning and afternoon, but at the recent performance this had changed to afternoon and evening. Photographs must not be taken or filming done during the performance. You could buy a CD of the music and a DVD on the making of the play only. The theatre is in the open, but the audience is under cover. 2400 villagers take part. They have to have been in the village for twenty years in order to take part. It involves half the population. There are no fake beards or wigs. Some scenes involve 1000 people on stage, and there are lots of animals too. It is a profoundly moving spectacle, and no microphones are used. Eileen described the play to us. There is no applause at the end as it would be inappropriate.

Great organisation is required moving the visitors in and out of Oberammergau. Eileen and Maggie then described their holiday in general and the places they had been. It sounded a truly wonderful experience and maybe they will be planning their next trip in 2020? Kathy thanked them both very much for their presentation and gave flowers in appreciation. Our next meeting is in the Crypt on Thursday 13 October at 2.00 p.m.

A LUNCH DATE WITH ROY

We were very fortunate to win a lunch for four at our Auction of Services last year and I was delighted when I realised that Roy Parkin was the donor. Kathy and David Thomas and Brian and I went along on an icy day in February to Roy's home. Roy met us at the door in a very dashing blue butcher striped apron and welcomed into his warm and comfortable flat and we started the occasion with drinks all round.

We started (and finished!) with drinks then sat down to a beautifully set and decorated table with a lovely view out on to the Gardens. The lunch menu was absolutely stunning and I felt ashamed as I knew that I could NOT have prepared and cooked such a feast.

Menu

Cold Roast Venison and Waldorf Salad
 Chicken soup
 Lamb curry
 Malay Vegetable Curry with Rice and Szimbales

Syllabub with Raspberries
 Cheese and Biscuits
 Coffee and Mints

Red and White wine

As you can imagine, we had a wonderful time although we could not persuade Roy to sit with us. He wanted to serve us! And he would not let us help clear and wash up. We felt we hadn't been so spoiled in a long, long time.

I would love to hear about others' experiences of their Auction wins so please think about sending your 'win' to Jonathan

Jan and Brian Carlisle

STARTER PACKS UPDATE

The busiest time for Starter Packs is from September to Christmas as social workers try hard to re-house their clients so that they have a home for Christmas. Already over 200 flats per month are being provided with packs and the number can only increase as the demand is so great.

Sarah desperately needs dinner plates. In fact she would like to find hotels or restaurants who are renewing their dinner services! She just does not have enough dinner plates especially. She also needs cutlery, towels and duvet covers so if you - or your friends- have any spare items, please bring them along to St Bride's and we will be sure to deliver them quickly.

On a happier note, Sarah is in the final for the Scottish Green Award, so we send her our best wishes and we'll let you know the results when we have them.

Thanks again to all the generous people who continue to remember and donate to Starter Packs.

HELP WANTED

The sidespeople do a very important job as they are often the first contact newcomers have with St Bride's. A friendly face can make such a difference. I need two or three people to volunteer to be on the sidespersons' rota.

This involves being on duty on one Sunday each month. Ideally you should arrive about 15 minutes before the service to hand out hymn books and liturgies and any extra material. At the Offertory you take the collection and present it at the altar. After the service you collect the hymn books etc and put them away. You will be on duty on the same Sunday each month, unless you need to change. You will be with a partner - either one of the present sidespeople or, if you wish, your husband/wife/partner.

Please speak to me if you are willing to help.

Mary Sillitto, Lay Representative

MUSIC FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER						
2	Sunday Trinity 15 Harvest Festival	19.00	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 259, 260, 261, 276 (ii), 262 Psalm: 65	
9	Sunday Trinity 16	10.30	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 390, 452, 485, 270, 500 Psalm: 23	
16	Sunday Trinity 17	10.30	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 409, 407, 296 (i), 304, 477 Psalm: 96, v 1-9	
		15.30	CHORAL EVENSONG & BENEDICTION	Responses: Smith Canticles: TBC Anthem: TBC	Psalms: 81, 82 Hymns: 150 (ii), 285 (i), 269 (Part 2), 268 (Part 2)	
23	Sunday Trinity 18	10. 30	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 232, 486, 408 (i), 273, 490 Psalm: 1	
30	Sunday Trinity 19	10.30	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 233, 391, 271, 307, 484 (167) Psalm: 43	
6	Sunday Trinity 20	10.30	SUNG EUCCHARIST	Setting: TBC Motet: TBC	Hymns: 238, 396, 295, 305, 418 Psalm: 70	

ROTAS

Date	Coffee	Counting
2 October	Jan Carlisle	Michael Rae
	Brian Carlisle	Andrew Lockyer
9 October	Anne Lawrence	Christopher Black
		Elizabeth Black
16 October	June Roach	Alison Gifford
	Betty Wright	Mary Sillitto
23 October	Veronica Matthew	Alison Gifford
30 October	Jan Carlisle	Jonathan Lord
	Brian Carlisle	Alison Gifford
6 November	Anne Lawrence	Jonathan Lord
		Michael Rae
		Andrew Lockyer

BONUS BALL

Date	Number	Winner	Winner's Amount
3 September	31	Betty Wright	£17.00
10 September	37	Rollover	-
17 September	10	Andrew Hook	£34.50
24 September	31	Betty Wright	£15.50

Professor Hook kindly donated part of his winnings back to the Church. The total raised for the Church has nearly reached £1,000 and the same amount of course has been distributed to the winners.

Kathy Thomas

SOLUTION TO SEPTEMBER CROSSWORD

Across 1 Addict, 5 Badge, 8 Forfar, 9 Roses, 10 Nutcase, 11 Germs, 14 Amend, 17 Observe, 19 Corsa, 20 Burial, 22 Reeve. 23 Riches

Down 2 Duo, 3 Inform, 4 Turin, 5 Biretta, 6 Disease, 7 Ensue, 8 Flog, 12 Reserve, 13 Surface, 15 Metric, 16 Dial, 17 Oscar, 18 Ember, 21 Ape

CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER 2011						
Sunday 30 <i>Trinity 19</i> 10.30 Sung Eucharist	Monday 31 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist					Saturday 1 12.00 Eucharist
Sunday 2 <i>Trinity 15</i> 10.30 Sung Eucharist	Monday 3 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Tuesday 4 08.15 Mattins	Wednesday 5 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist 19.30 Vestry	Thursday 6 10.00 Eucharist	Friday 7	Saturday 8 12.00 Rosary and Votive Mass
Sunday 9 <i>Trinity 16</i> 10.30 Sung Eucharist	Monday 10 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Tuesday 11 08.15 Eucharist	Wednesday 12 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Thursday 13 10.00 Eucharist 14.00 Women's Group	Friday 14	Saturday 15
Sunday 16 <i>Trinity 17</i> 10.30 Sung Eucharist 12.30 Church open 15.30 Choral E & B	Monday 17 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Tuesday 18 08.15 Eucharist	Wednesday 19 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Thursday 20 10.00 Eucharist	Friday 21	Saturday 22 09.00 Church open 12.00 Healing Eucharist
Sunday 24 <i>Trinity 18</i> 10.30 Sung Eucharist	Monday 24 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Tuesday 25 08.15 Eucharist	Wednesday 26 17.30 Evensong 18.00 Eucharist	Thursday 27 10.00 Eucharist	Friday 28	Saturday 29

SERVICES

St Bride's is a Church in the Catholic tradition. The main act of worship on Sundays is the Sung Eucharist at 10.30 a.m., which is followed by coffee and fellowship in the Crypt. On weekdays the services are as follows:

Mon: Evensong 5.30 p.m. The Eucharist (1970) 6.00 p.m.
Tues: The Eucharist (1982) 8.15 a.m.
Wed: Evensong 5.30 p.m. The Eucharist (1970) 6.00 p.m.
Thur: The Eucharist (1970) 10.00 a.m.
Sat: 2nd Saturday Rosary and Votive Mass of Our Lady (1982) 12.00 noon
 4th Saturday The Eucharist (1982) with prayers for healing 12.00 noon

Choral Evensong and Benediction is on the third Sunday of the month at 3.30 p.m. except July and August. The Church is open for visitors on the third Sunday of the month from 12.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. and on the fourth Saturday of the month from 9.00 a.m. to midday. We will also happily open the Church for visitors at other times on request.

READINGS AT THE SUNG EUCHARIST

2 October <i>Trinity 15</i> <i>Harvest Festival</i>	Deuteronomy 8, v 7-18 Psalm 65 2 Corinthians 9, v 6-15 Luke 17, v 11-19
9 October <i>Trinity 16</i>	Isaiah 25, v 1-9 Psalm 23 Philippians 4, v 1-9 Matthew 22, v 1-14
16 October <i>Trinity 17</i>	Isaiah 45, v 1-7 Psalm 96, v 1-9 1 Thessalonians 1, v 1-10 Matthew 22, v 15-22
23 October <i>Trinity 18</i>	Leviticus 19, v 1-2, 15-18 Psalm 1 1 Thessalonians 2, v 1-8 Matthew 22, v 34-46
30 October <i>Trinity 19</i>	Micah 3, v 5-12 Psalm 43 1 Thessalonians 2, v 9-13 Matthew 23, v 1-12
6 November <i>Trinity 20</i>	Amos 5, v 18-24 Psalm 70 1 Thessalonians 4, v 13-18 Matthew 25, v 1-13

KALENDAR FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

October

1	Sat	Gregory the Enlightener, Bishop, “Apostle of Armenia”, c 332	People of Armenia
2	Sun	15th Sunday after Trinity	Life and Ministry of St Bride’s
3	Mon	Feria	Hyndland Parish Church
4	Tue	Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226	The Society of St Francis
5	Wed	Feria	Preachers
6	Thur	Feria	The Housebound
7	Fri	Feria	St Peter’s, Partick
8	Sat	Alexander Forbes, Bishop, 1875	St Paul’s Cathedral, Dundee
9	Sun	16th Sunday after Trinity	Life and Ministry of St Bride’s
10	Mon	Feria	Bishop Gregor
11	Tue	Kenneth, Abbot, 600	People of Ireland
12	Wed	Elizabeth Fry, 1845	Prisoners
13	Thur	Feria	The Society of Friends
14	Fri	Feria	The Homeless
15	Sat	Teresa of Avila, Teacher, 1582	Mystics
16	Sun	17th Sunday after Trinity	Life and Ministry of St Bride’s
17	Mon	Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, c 115	Theologians
18	Tue	Luke, Evangelist	Doctors
19	Wed	Henry Martyn, Missionary, 1812	People of India
20	Thur	Feria	Nurses
21	Fri	Feria	Physiotherapists
22	Sat	Feria	Occupational therapists
23	Sun	18th Sunday after Trinity	Life and Ministry of St Bride’s
24	Mon	Feria	The Scottish Guild of Servers
25	Tue	Feria	Fire fighters
26	Wed	Feria	Paramedics
27	Thur	Feria	Police officers
28	Fri	Simon and Jude, Apostles	Those in trouble
29	Sat	James Hannington & Companions	People of Uganda
30	Sun	19th Sunday after Trinity	Life and Ministry of St Bride’s
31	Mon	Feria	The Women’s Group

November

1	Tue	All Saints	All Saints’, Jordanhill
2	Wed	All Souls	The Faithful Departed
3	Thur	Richard Hooker, Teacher, 1600	The Anglican Communion
4	Fri	Feria	Vocations to the Priesthood
5	Sat	Feria	Vocations to the Religious life