



# Newsletter Village Link



We are not printing many copies, of this newsletter, but we would invite you to send it on to your friends, or if it makes sense, print off a copy and pop it through the letter box of neighbours who might appreciate it.

The **next issue** of this newsletter will be in early July. Please contact me **before 26th June** if you have something you would like to be included. (eileenkk28@btinternet.com)

## First Stop - Village Shop.

What a superb service we've had from *The Sutlery* – personal deliveries of food while we're in self-isolation; special orders taken for food they haven't stocked in the past and delivery of parcels to our most vulnerable residents. All this, with smiles and chat, despite the personal health risks of remaining open.

We've altered the way we shop now and joined many of you who've already made the change.

We still start with a list, but we get all we can at the village shop. Then, if we need to, we go to other shops to get the remainder. This is the opposite of what we used to do.

We're hoping that 'First Stop - Village Shop' means we, and us all, will be able to get what we need on our village doorstep in the years to come. That's a 'new normal' that will be super! **Lesley Bloomer**

The Garden Club has yet to make the decision as to whether the Flower & Produce Show goes ahead or not. Once we have done this we will let the villagers know via this newsletter.

*Fiona Thompson.*

## HELP THE FOOD BANK

Many of us who are not able to do our own shopping are wondering how to help our local Food Banks at this difficult time. If you still own and use a cheque book, there is a very easy way to help - send a cheque made out to "Dunfermline Food Bank". Your donation will be spent on what is urgently required at any of the Food Banks in and around Dunfermline.

The address is:

Dunfermline Foodbank Office, Liberty Centre, Pitreavie Way, Pitreavie Business Park, Dunfermline, KY11 8QS.

## Broomhall Curling Club

We are reasonably confident now that season 2020/21 will be able to commence as planned in mid-September. We will be organising FREE *Come and Try* sessions once the season gets under way. Anyone interested please contact Bob Owens 07484 664817.



Please  
continue to  
support our  
local  
businesses!

## Floral Displays Group,

If you'd like to help our work in any way (watering currently looks like being a significant need!), then please contact: tom@chway.plus.com

## CROMBIE

On 2 March we held our AGM. Both Mike and Tony retired as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. Katrina Kane was elected as Chair and Kate McKay as Vice-Chair.

The Community Garden has continued to flourish, with individual members of the team popping up to keep things going. Potatoes are huge, tomatoes are progressing well, and the mange-tout peas threaten to mange-through the rest of us! with individual members of the team popping up to keep things going. Many thanks to all! With optimism, we have set a date for the Summer Gala: 29 August.

Meantime, can we express our huge appreciation to all the residents of Crombie who have so methodically respected the rules of the lockdown and who have appeared on their doorstops so regularly to applaud the brilliant heroes of this tragic episode: the NHS workers and the carers amongst us

**Mike Coughlin**

## A Thursday 8pm Treat!

Listen out for Norman playing his Flugelhorn outside the Manse...



If you would like to support the work of the church in the community, please text CHURCHTEN or CHURCHFIVE to 70085 to donate £10 or £5 respectively.

Dunfermline Advocacy works throughout West Fife matching volunteers on a one to one basis with vulnerable adults, offering friendship & ensuring they have a voice. During the current Coronavirus situation our work to reduce social isolation is even more needed - having someone to simply chat to over the phone can make a huge difference to someone. If you are interested in volunteering have a look at our website: [DunfermlineAdvocacy.org](http://DunfermlineAdvocacy.org) and/or contact Barbara McKenzie on 07988 300849.

## Message from the Minister

Dear friends, I was thinking about these first days of lifting lockdown. In medical ethics I believe there is a principle that is stated as: 'first do no harm'. This is not a bad starting point for how we should behave as the gradual process of easing lockdown takes place. This is a start, but as God's people we need to go further. The Palmist says, "Trust in God and do good." (Psalm 37:3)

Trust in God and do good!  
Take care and keep praying. *Yours, Norman*

### Donald Trump urged the U.S. Churches to open "right away, this weekend."

#### Deon K. Johnson, Bishop-elect of the Episcopal Church in Missouri, responded...

"The work of the church is essential.  
The work of caring for the lonely, the marginalized, and the oppressed is essential.  
The work of speaking truth to power and seeking justice is essential.  
The work of being a loving, liberating, and life giving presence in the world is essential.  
The work of welcoming the stranger, the refugee and the undocumented is essential.  
The work of reconciliation and healing and caring is essential.

The church does not need to "open" because the church never "closed". We who make up the Body of Christ, the church, love God and our neighbors and ourselves so much that we will stay away from our buildings until it is safe. **We are the Church."**

### Miss seeing family and friends?

If you have a phone there is an app you can use called "WhatsApp". This can be easily downloaded and will give you the chance to see and chat easily to everyone on your contact list.

## ur First Virtual Messy Church

is now on the Website!

[www.limekilnschurch.org](http://www.limekilnschurch.org)



Party Bags to accompany this can be picked up at the Manse

**The Rotary Club of West Fife** continues to look at ways of helping local communities feeling the effects of the pandemic, and is currently looking at causes that may be helped, liaising with other local Rotary Clubs and the community to identify the most needy. *Roger Hall*

### Regular Contact with the Church

The Minister provides a weekly message that can be found on the Facebook page, and a short worship piece which can be listened to every Sunday by following the link to 'recordings' on the front page of the church website. [www.limekilnschurch.org](http://www.limekilnschurch.org)

The Service at Cairneyhill Church is conducted via Zoom online at 11.30am each Sunday. To find how to join this service, please contact Derek on 872190

You can contact the Minister, Norman Grant, on [nmg57@live.com](mailto:nmg57@live.com) or 872341

## Charlestown Bowling Club

Looking at the First Minister's exit route from lock-down we are hoping to open the green Mid June. We will notify all members accordingly. Anyone interested in taking up bowls please contact **Bob Owens** 07484 664817.



### Love your neighbour

Who doesn't Look like you,  
Think like you,  
Love like you,  
Speak like you,  
Pray like you,  
Vote like you,  
Love your neighbour.

When my arms  
can't reach my  
grandchildren, I  
hug them with  
my prayers.

**No exceptions**

**THE CHURCH BUILDING MAY BE CLOSED** but please remember that both Norman and Karen are still here for you. **Please never be stuck**, we are only a phone call away..872341.