

CCF Update

March 2017



March Rota

5th

Communion: Robert Redmond

Prayer : Annemarie

Bible Club: Margaret & Joe

Creche: Marie, Elaine,
Jennifer, Sarah

12th

Prayer: Alan

Bible Club: Tom & Paul

Creche: Marie, Elaine,
Jeanette, Lesleyanne

19th

Prayer: Robbie

Speaker: Irene Barr

Bible Club: Tom & May

Creche: Elaine, Kirsty, Claire

26th

Leading: Linda

Prayer: Robert Taggart

Bible Club: Tom & Susan

Creche: Marie, Elaine, Jennifer

Midweek Meetings

Tues 14th March

Tuesday 28th March

"You don't need an airing cupboard when you've got Jesus." That's a quote from an old TV drama. A modern equivalent might be, "you don't need a tumble dryer when you've got Jesus." Both are equally silly – would you say that to anyone? The character was based on a real person who was, supposedly, an evangelical Christian. She was at best ridiculous and at worst downright evil. Yet that's quite a common way for Christians to be portrayed in drama; there seems to be no normal, no Christian who's just an ordinary Joe trying to get by like everyone else. Another series, again based on real life, told of a church elder and his lover who planned to murder his wife. If that couple were ever Christians they lost their way a long time ago and like Samson they did not know that the Lord had left them.

An episode of Endeavour portrayed a crabbed and embittered old battle axe who was clearly meant to be the late Mary Whitehouse. But Mrs Whitehouse was, in fact, an astonishingly brave woman who faced persecution for the rest of her life after she stood against the crowd. She was already middle aged when she began her campaign to 'clean up television' and she was the antithesis of the 1960s 'with it' culture. Now, with soft porn everywhere many of the liberals who hated her have admitted that she may have been right all along.

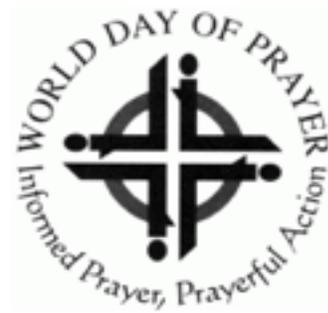
Christians do bad things, you've only got to look at the Old Testament to see that. David was desolate when he wrote Psalm 51; he had to accept the consequence of his sin but God helped him find redemption. I wish modern drama would show Christians in all their complex shades, that would be a far more honest and fair portrayal of us. I hope that intelligent viewers won't take these negative characteristics at face value because at the end of the day God will sort out the sheep from the goats and we'll be seen for what we truly are.

Sharon Campbell

If you would like to contribute an article to the newsletter, please hand it in to the Admin Desk or email Mary Douglas at marymoneywhizz@hotmail.co.uk

This year's World Day of Prayer service in Cumbernauld will take place on Friday 3rd March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall of Our Lady & St Helen's Church, Achray Road, Condorrat.

The service this year has been written by the Christian women of the Philippines and is based on Jesus' story of the workers in the vineyard who all receive the same pay, prompting the question "Am I Being Unfair to You?" (Matthew 20: 1-16)



Tuesday 7th March 7.15pm



Best wishes to Tom and Emma as they celebrate their wedding on Sunday 12th March



This is the first of a series of cleaning nights that we intend to have in order to give our building a regular deep clean and make it more appealing to visitors and to ourselves.

The more people who come the quicker and more effective our efforts will be.

Please put this date in your diary and join us for a time of service together and for tea/coffee and fellowship at the end.

Margaret Muir

Drop In Group

The first meeting of the drop in group took place last Thursday. The group will continue to meet weekly at 1.30 pm in Cornerstone House until further notice. Watch out for any changes to this in the next newsletter.