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BAPTISM

20/3/16 Lucas Alexander Aitken, East Kilbride

10/4/16 Ella Patricia Fraser, Clarkston

Ella Patricia Simpson was born on Sunday, 20th September at 1.08am. She was born at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Glasgow and she weighed 6lbs 7oz. Ella's godmother is Louise Parsons, my best friend (and bridesmaid) whom I met at university. Her godfathers are brothers, Neil and Euan Granger, who are my 'honorary' cousins. We chose Ella's godparents because we know they will support Ella throughout her life, guiding her and caring for her. We had a wonderful day at Ella's baptism. It was particularly special for us all as we had had to postpone Ella's original christening date, as she had to have half her right kidney removed at The Royal Hospital for Children (Yorkhill) in Glasgow at the beginning of March. We are delighted to say Ella has made a wonderful recovery and we are very grateful to all the hospital staff and surgeons. It was lovely to see Ella hanging on Jeanne's every word when she was being baptised and we were touched by the support and good wishes we received from all the congregation both during and after the service. We were also very proud of Ella's big sister, Millie (7), and big brother, Harris (5), who both dote on her. After the service, we had a celebratory lunch at Stamperland Bowling Club with family and friends. Ella has already shown great determination and a fighting spirit and she is a gift from God. We would like to thank everyone for all their support and great kindness. (Laura Simpson)

NEW MEMBERS

27/3/16 Neil McGeoch and Kirsty McKay, Clarkston

WEDDINGS

24/3/16 Kirsty Thomas & Christopher Smart, Clarkston

1/4/16 Pamela Carruthers & Graham McCulloch, Glasgow

DEATHS

21/2/16 Mr John Cross, Clarkston

5/3/16 Mr Joseph Gardiner, East Kilbride

2/4/16 Mrs Phyllis Walker, Giffnock

*Dependent on your bounteous breath, we seek your grace alone,
In every stage of life and death, to keep us still your own"*

PULPIT DIARY

1 st May	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
8 th May	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
	6.30pm	Prayers for Healing Service
15 th May	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
22 nd May	10.30am	Sacrament of Holy Baptism & Sunday Club
29 th May	10.30am	Worship & Film Club

MESSY CHURCH FRIDAYS 29TH APRIL & 3RD JUNE, 4PM – 6PM

For more details, to book a place or offer help, please phone/text Lorna Preece
at 07970192541 or email: messygreenbank@gmail.com

Dear Friends

On Sunday 10th April I spoke in church about the loneliness that is an everyday fact of life for many people in our parish and how we, as a church, rarely think about or talk about loneliness even though the consequences can be alarming and even harmful. In our community, no age, marital or family stage is immune to loneliness. According to the census statistics, 22% of the homes around our church have one person living in them and 15% of the parish population is elderly. These facts, along with the fact that social contact often decreases for older people for a variety of reasons including retirement, the death of friends and family or lack of mobility, is contributing to loneliness amongst elderly people in our Parish.

Recent studies carried out by the Voluntary Actions group of East Renfrewshire Council also point to the loneliness existing amongst new mums, young people and people of all ages with additional support needs in our area which are perpetuated by the absence of befriending opportunities. While for some this loneliness can be a temporary feeling, for far too many people today it is a familiar feeling. Perhaps even more heart-breaking is the fact that lonely people, tormented by the crushing thought that they are alone in the world, don't feel that the church is there for them.

The social events team, the Youth Committee and the Conversations Legacy group in our church are currently trying to find ways to address the loneliness that presently exists in our community. In the near future the Kirk Session hopes to pilot Bookbug – which are free story, song and rhymes sessions for young children and their primary carers. Two of our elders have been on the Bookbug training course and two more elders waiting to train are in the pipeline. In the autumn, to try and combat the existing youth loneliness, the Youth Committee hopes to pilot a Saturday evening club for young people in the community. In conjunction with Voluntary Action, East Renfrewshire, the youth committee is currently investigating best practice and funding sources for this venture. The Social Events Committee have committed themselves to looking at ways to make Saturday afternoons less lonely for people and are also hoping to put something in place by the autumn. If you have any ideas about how we as a church might lessen people's loneliness or if you want to be involved in putting something together to combat loneliness, please contact me or Jane at the church office so that you can be directed to the appropriate committee or group that might be able to help put your something into practice..

I ended my sermon on 10th April by saying that we may not feel we have the ability to do very much, especially when the need seems so great, but we don't have to change the whole world. It's more than enough for us to perhaps discover one way to offer dignity and hope and the good news that God is still in the business of healing lonely lives. If we all do that, we can make a huge difference to the lives of people in the community of Clarkston. We don't know whether the things we put in place will ultimately combat people's loneliness but we have to try something. We may not have all the answers but we can offer our prayers, our voices, our commitment and our companionship with the hope that God will show us a way forward so that lonely people might know that their worth to Him, to the church and to us is priceless.

Yours



MALAWI 2016

This year I will be accompanying a group of 5th year pupils to Ekwendeni in Malawi to undertake project work in the Primary School and to deliver a Bible School –Holiday Club. Last year the hospital in Ekwendeni was extremely grateful for donations of Paracetamol and ibuprofen tablets which I took out for their Pharmacy Department. These are much needed [and expensive] painkillers which cost very little in this country, often as little as 25p or 30p. If you would like to donate some packets of these painkillers, a box will be placed at the front door each Sunday. Alternatively they can be handed into the Church Office during the week.

What's On

THE LUNCH CLUB

Lunch Club will meet next on Friday, 29th April and then on Friday 27th May, which concludes the meetings for this session. Lunches will be served from 12 noon, finishing at 1.30pm. Everyone will be made very welcome. If you need transport to the church hall, please get in touch with Jan on 639 0373 or Maureen on 639 5114.

WALKING GROUP PROGRAMME - 2016

The Walking Group programme for 2016 is shown below.

New members will be warmly welcomed. Come along and enjoy the fresh air and good company.

All walks are on Saturdays except 20th November which is a Sunday.

We leave from the Church at the times shown:

21 st May	Dumbarton or Dunblane	10am
18 th June	Strathaven	10am
9 th July	Isle of Arran	8am
20 th August	West Highland Way (from Mllngavie)	10am
17 th September	Maidens to Culzean	9.30am
15 th October	Water of Leith	9am
20 th November	Clyde Walkway (Glasgow)	1pm

For further information contact Allan McLaren (639-5848) or Douglas Paterson (638-6350).

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

THURSDAY 5th MAY 2016 at 7.30pm

On Thursday 5th May at 7.30pm, a 60-strong choir from the Otto-Hahn-Gymnasium (High School) in Nagold, near Stuttgart, Germany will be performing in Greenbank. The youngsters are very musical and highly motivated and have already toured Europe with their choral repertoire.

Entry to the concert is free but a donation would be greatly appreciated. Please come along and support the young people. They have come a long way to entertain us so let's give them a special Greenbank welcome.

BOOK EVENT FOR WILLIAMWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

As exams will be taking place in the school, Williamwood High School will be holding a Book Event in the church on the afternoon of Tuesday 10th May for S2-3 pupils. Authors, John Barrowman and his sister Carole Barrowman, will be promoting their new book *Conjuror*. Their books are set in Scotland with the latest book in the series featuring 16-year old twins with unusual artistic powers. Three years ago they visited Glasgow and reached over 600 pupils who were inspired to pick up a book and get reading!

CALLING ALL GUILD MEMBERS GOING ON THE OUTING

Would Guild members please note that the Outing is now on Monday 9th May and not the 11th as previously arranged.

Jan Millar 639 0373.

TIME OUT

Our formal fortnightly meetings have come to an end for this session, but we will still be getting together every second Thursday for a chat and some refreshments at the tearoom at Greenbank Gardens from 8pm. Our first meeting will be on 14th April and anyone wishing to join us will be made most welcome. If you would like to come along, please phone Catherine Hart tel. 639 9496 or Moira McAldine tel. 639 5968 for more details.

Young People's Page

Hi Guys

On Thursday the 5th of May you will have another day off school! Hooray!! It's the Scottish election when we vote for the candidates that we want to represent us in the Scottish Parliament. The Scottish Parliament is at Holyrood in Edinburgh. The first Scottish election was held in May 1999 and the Scottish Parliament was re opened by the Queen in July of that year. It was the first Scottish government since 1707, over 300 years ago. There are five main parties in Scotland: the SNP, Labour, Conservatives, Liberal and the Green Party. Up until 100 years ago, it was only male property owners, over 21, who could vote. Now you'll be able to vote as long as you're over 18. Unfortunately by then you won't get a day off school!!

Al the Ed.

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MAY TRADITIONS

Does anybody in your family still say "ne'er cast a clout til May is oot"? It means don't take off your winter woollies until June! Scottish weather is so unpredictable that it was a way of stopping people catching chills – even it was sunny!

Another strange tradition was washing your face in the morning dew on the 1st of May. It was supposed to make you beautiful!

But the best tradition in May is two holiday weekends from school!

LOST ANY SOCKS LATELY?

A very special event takes place next month. Lost Sock Awareness Day takes place on May 9th every year, to commemorate all those odd socks that started life as a shiny new pair. Celebrate World Lost Sock Day by attempting to reunite long lost pairs of socks. Failing that you could spend the day trying to start a trend of wearing mismatched socks so that all the single socks out there can be saved or you can save them until Christmas and hang them up for Santa!!



THE VERDICT'S IN



Favourite activities

Martin: 'eating toast and making biscuits'

Laura: 'the slide'

Jennifer: 'making new friends'

But the winner turned out to be Alison's favourite: 'getting wet!' (Leah, Jennifer and Ewan)

A huge thank you and well done to everyone who came along to Polar Explorers. It was a great week. What a fantastic igloo!

Hi everyone.

Do you like our new logo? A big thanks you to Fraser Simpson for designing it for us. We think it is great.

Here are our dates for May & June:

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| May 1st | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am) |
| May 8th | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am) |
| May 14 th | - PLANT SALE 9:30am - 12pm |
| May 15th | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am) |
| May 22nd | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am) |
| May 29th | - Holiday weekend however the film club will run (meet in the halls & church at 10:20am) |
| June 5th | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am) |
| June 12th | - Sunday Club (meet in the halls and church at 10:20am); Prize Giving and Family Trip |



With the spring school holidays and May weekends providing the opportunities for families to go on holiday, it would be great if you could all make a special effort to come along to Sunday Club on the other Sundays.

Thanks,
The Sunday Club Team

▣ **The Jungle Book** (PG) - 15 April 2016 - 106 minutes



This Disney classic has been re invented for a whole new generation. Mowgli, the man cub has been raised by wolves Raksha and Akela deep within the Indian jungle. However, Mowgli's life is threatened by ferocious, man-eating tiger Shere Khan. With the help of jaguar mentor Bagheera and loyal bear Baloo Mowgli must discover the strength to embrace his destiny and stand up to the fearsome Khan once and for all.

Along the way he gets caught up in some money business with King Louie and falls under the hypnotic spell of Kaa the snake. Adapted from Rudyard Kipling's novel, it was adapted by Disney into their classic 1967 animation. Now it has been given a thrilling new makeover. Mixing live-action performance with cutting-edge CGI, this promises to be a visually spectacular and exciting family adventure.

Cast: Neel Sethi, Scarlett Johansson, Idris Elba, Ben Kingsley, Christopher Walken, Bill Murray

▣ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



to
Sam Hunt, Iona Carruthers,
Jonathan Calderwood,
Andrew Marshall and
Kirsten Hamilton.
Hope you all have a great day.

▣ **JOKE CORNER**

Q: What do you call an alligator in a vest?

A: An Investigator

Q: "What's the difference between a guitar and a fish?"

A: "You can't tuna fish."

Q: What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?

A: Frostbite."

Q: How do you make an Octopus laugh?

A: With ten-tickles



News and Updates

ED LINES

Hi Folks.,

This finds me recovering from a very active week at the Polar Explorers Holiday Club; a great week full of fun and plenty of wet, messy games. You could, however, hear audible sighs as I explained to seventy children that there were a few rules and regulations to follow. Nothing too onerous, just general ones like what to do in the event of a fire, if they needed the loo or just making sure they left with a responsible adult (that ruled me out!)

A few months ago I helped out at the Guild's annual quiz. That had a few rules too, which I must admit were changed slightly as we went along (don't tell Jill). It was ok though as we all played by the same rules.

As we become "more mature", we appreciate that there have to be rules in life. We recognise that they are a necessary evil, which ensures we are all on a level playing field and enables us to live together in relative harmony. Possibly the first set of rules of which we become aware are the Ten Commandments, rules written thousands of years ago which are as relevant and as important now as they were then. If we all follow those rules, regardless of our creed, colour or religion, then we won't go far wrong.

Alison

**ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE ISSUE OF GOOD NEIGHBOUR SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY
SUNDAY 15TH MAY PLEASE**

ECO CONGREGATION

We are pleased to report a number of organisations are now using the china cups for tea/coffee after the services.

As an Eco-Congregation since 2010, it was proposed that paper cups be phased out. The washing of cups should not be too onerous, as it takes only 20 minutes, but if some groups find it too difficult a member of the Eco Group is willing to help.

Thank you for your continued co-operation.

The Eco Group

CHRISTIAN AID

CHRISTIAN AID ART EXHIBITION AND SALE

The 36th annual Art Exhibition and Sale took place on 12th March in the Carmichael Hall at Eastwood Park. The total income was £9717 of which £7508 was from the sale of 57 paintings. Christian Aid will receive a third of the latter figure, and once the various expenses have been paid, I will be able to give the final income for the event in due course.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Christian Aid week this year is from **15th to 21st May**.

Volunteers are urgently needed to fulfil our target of visiting every home within the Parish to carry out door to door collections. If you would like to be a collector, please come to the front of the church following the service on 15th May where you will receive an envelope containing all you will need to collect within your allocated street. Last year, unfortunately, we were unable to collect from 23 of the 87 streets in our district due to a shortage of volunteer collectors. Donations should be returned to the church on Friday 20th May between 7pm and 9pm, or on Tuesday 24th May between 7pm and 8pm. Volunteers are also required to count the donations on these evenings. Please consider supporting Christian Aid either by collecting or by helping with the count. Your help will be invaluable and will make a difference to those in greatest need throughout the world.

Mark Allan and Ron Livingston

A HUGE THANK YOU

A HUGE thank you to everyone who gave their time and talents to help out at the Holiday Club last week. There are too many to mention by name and I would hate to miss someone out. Your help was invaluable and we couldn't do it without each and every one of you. Thank you

Alison

(Who is too modest to mention that none of the above would have happened without her drive and enthusiasm and a penchant for games that involve getting soaked).

LODGING HOUSE MISSION

Annual General Meeting

I attended the 14th Annual General Meeting of the Lodging House Mission at their premises on Wednesday, 6th April. The business section of the evening included the re-election of three existing directors - Barbara Normand, Very Rev William Hewitt and R. Findlay. The financial situation was highlighted. A copy of the 2015 financial summary is displayed on the noticeboard in the corridor outside the Fraser Hall. Due to generous legacies, they can enjoy some financial stability in the coming year. They are considering a programme of planned outstanding building repairs and a feasibility study into the installation of disabled access, along with the possible replacement of their 10 year old mini bus and an investigation into increasing their opening hours. Gus Smeaton, a volunteer, currently holds the role of Project Manager, and he was thanked for carrying out this duty.

A new website has been launched and we are encouraged to visit it at www.lhm-glasgow.org.uk

Gus McKay, chaplain, and Stan, a volunteer, told of their experiences of helping at the Glasgow Winter Night Shelter which was this winter hosted by the LHM from 1st December until the end of March. There was capacity for 40 guests each night from 10pm. Many who stayed overnight remained at the LHM the following day to make use of their facilities and services. 605 people in 4 months stayed for a total of 4006 nights. 86% of them were male, 14% were female and 25% were non British. It is hoped that the LHM will be used next winter to host the shelter.

Angela Vance, Support Worker, told us of her work at the LHM. She explained how she is able to assist people with a variety of tasks - she recently helped one gentleman resolve a dispute over a claim for rent arrears - he simply had not filled out a form correctly. On another occasion, she was able to pursue an alternative housing request from another gentleman who could not return to his home for fear of violence. As you can see, there is more to the LHM than shelter and a hot meal.

Tam, a client of the Lodging House Mission, spoke of his battle with alcohol. He explained that he had been introduced to the LHM (or Trotters as it is affectionately known) by a friend, having been homeless for 7 months. He is currently decorating parts of the building, and is grateful to have this activity to keep him occupied, while doing some good for those who have helped him.

Ewen Mackie, chairman, ended by thanking all congregations for their loyal and generous support, emphasising that the work of the LHM could not continue without it.

At the start of the meeting there was a reading from Proverbs, chapter 16, verse 3. In the "Good News Bible" this reads - " Ask the Lord to bless your plans, and you will be successful in carrying them out". This is a very apt message for those at the LHM, and indeed for us here in Greenbank as we plan for our future.

Easter Appeal

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Easter Appeal for the Lodging House Mission. A total of £170 has now been donated. This amount will increase with Gift Aid. Thank you all very much.

Meal Vouchers

I have a supply of meal vouchers for those who wish to purchase them. These cost £1.25 each. You may feel happier giving this, rather than money, to someone begging in the street. The voucher entitles the bearer to a free hot meal at the LHM. A map is printed on the back of each voucher to show the location.

Greetings cards

Please continue to support the sale of cards (Birthday, Get Well etc) in the Fraser Hall after the morning service most Sundays.

Alison Allan (638 3916)

KIRK SESSION COFFEE MORNING

The Kirk Session wishes to thank everyone who attended and contributed to their successful Coffee Morning on Saturday 19th March. Thanks also to the Elders-current & retired- and Associate Members whose support helped make the event a success.

The sum raised was £1320-50p which will be split between the Crisis Fund and our Ekwendeni Partnership.

STAMPS

Please keep handing them in. All denominations and nationalities are wanted but please, please do not cut into the white band round most stamps. Doing this renders them useless and means they go straight in the paper sack.

Elizabeth MacDonald

POSTCARDS

As there has been a massive decline in the numbers of postcards being sent the need for them is greater than ever. All sorts are wanted - views comic, British and foreign, young or old!

Duncan McIntyre

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers are being collected by John Meek for B.B. equipment. There is a designated box in the Hall of Friendship. Thank you.

MILK BOTTLE TOPS FOR MALAWI

Due to everyone being so kind as to take the time to collect the bottle tops and hand them in, the target has been reached extremely quickly. There are currently more than enough bottle tops to support the project for the time being. Thank you to everyone who helped with this and donated them, and to the Boy's Brigade for sorting through them all. They will be sent to Malawi where they will be used to enhance early numeracy and early literacy skills. We will let you know if more will be needed in the future.

SPOONS FOR MALAWI

The 3rd Clarkston Guides are still collecting spoons for Malawi. If you have any loose ones you don't need please put them in the box in the Link Building.

FLOWER LIST FOR MAY 2016

	<u>Communion Table</u>	<u>Centenary Chapel</u>	<u>Side Windows</u>
1 st May	Anna Martin		
8 th May	Muriel Beaton	Sheila Matthews	
15 th May	Vera Reid	Elizabeth McKenzie	
22 nd May		Barbara Low	
29 th May			

The Flower Lists for 2016 are on the transept windows; you are invited to put your name and telephone number on a list to donate flowers on the date of your choice. A member of the Flower Committee will contact you during the week prior to this date.

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAYERS FOR HEALING

If you need prayer for yourself, a loved one or a friend please use the Greenbank Church Card [see reverse side] which can be found at the end of the church pews, and place it in the box at the front door of the church. Alternatively, prayer requests can be given to our Minister, Rev. Jeanne Roddick.

Those for whom prayers have been requested will be prayed for at the monthly at the Prayers for Healing Service and throughout the month by members of the Prayer Group.

PRESS RELEASE

Mr John Walker, a member of Greenbank Church, has released an album. The album, *Ambient Hymns*, includes some of our favourites such as "Be Thou My Vision", "How Great Thou Art" and "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" For information or to purchase the album, *Ambient Hymns*, check it out at: walkerjohna.wordpress.com/press-releases/

OUR NEW WEBSITE

Have you looked at our new website? A member of our congregation, Fraser Simpson, has produced a modern, vibrant and highly informative website for us. Visit on www.greenbankglasgow.org.uk. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Fraser for all his hard work in designing the site and for agreeing to keep it up to date.

ADVERTISING INITIATIVE

Over the last few years, the Good Neighbour has been running adverts in the centre page, which has provided important income for the Church. We have two adverts fewer this year due to recent shop closures and the increase in businesses using social media to advertise their products. Can we appeal to members of the congregation using those who advertise with us to let them know that you have seen their advert in the Good Neighbour. If you know of anyone or any company who would like to take the opportunity of advertising, please let us know.

Val Scholfield (638 2146) Alison Harvey (638 3679)

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BUSHIDO KARATE

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Ciara O'Shea, Glen Griffiths & Stella Cowey from our Greenbank Club achieved their Junior Black Belts. This has been down to all their hard work and dedication to the art. They have all shown great spirit and determination to reach this milestone on their journey.

We have also had a guest instructor at our club – Sensei O'Mailley (6th Dan)- when our students enjoyed a masterclass learning some different combinations and different perspectives on some of our moves.

We also have a number of competitions coming up like the Scottish Open which some of our students are entering. They are training hard for the events.

New Class

We will be starting a new class at Greenbank at the end of April – if you would like to join (or even try a lesson) please come along and also please pass this on to friends and family.

To help you decide please see some celebrities who are Black Belts in Karate:

Sean Connery , James Cann, Wesley Snipes, Dolph Lundgren, Bear Grylls, Elvis Presley, Forest Whitaker, Jean-Claude Van Damme, JJ Burnel(Stranglers), Phil Collen(Def Leppard)

GREENBANK PLAYERS

We should like to thank all of you for supporting our 'Murder Mystery Night' last month. You were a very attentive and enthusiastic audience and we are pleased to report that the feedback has been very positive.

Our thanks too go to all who gave of their time and talents to make this such a successful night.

Here's hoping we can repeat this next year!

25 YEARS AS CHURCH OFFICER

John Meek, would like to thank everyone for the gift vouchers, chocolates and flowers presented on behalf of the congregation by Jeanne on Sunday 10th April in recognition of his 25 years as our church officer.

He does not like being in the limelight, so the presentation was a closely guarded secret and he was caught unawares as he escorted the baptismal party into the chancel at the beginning of the service.

Thank you, John, for everything you have done in your time with us.

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CREATURE COMFORTS
Pet Show Fun Day
 30th April 2016
 Greenbank Parish Church
 36 Eaglesham Rd, Clarkston

Small Animal Show
 Registration - 12.00pm Starts - 12.30pm
 (Rabbits, Guinea Pigs, Hamsters, Gerbils, Rats, Reptiles and Birds etc)

Fun Dog Show
 Registration - 1.45pm
 Starts - 2.00pm

Dog Agility
Meet the Owls
Ask the Vet

Pet Show Fun Day supported by:
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BOOKBUG SESSION

starting

Thursday 5th May

at 9.30am

in Greenbank Church Halls

As part of our intention to be a church at the heart of the community, the Kirk Session has agreed to trial a Bookbug Session in the Fraser Hall. Initially the sessions will run in May and June and if there is sufficient demand we hope the sessions will continue. Sessions already taking place in local libraries are oversubscribed and it was suggested that Greenbank might be able to help. We are happy to try. If you are a parent, grandparent or carer for a pre-school aged child you are more than welcome to come along and join in half an hour of singing, rhymes, games and stories designed to develop literacy, motor skills and learning in babies, toddlers and young children before they go to school. Contact the Church Office on 0141 644 1841 or E-mail: greenbank.office@tiscali.co.uk for further details.



The Annual Sunday Club Plant Sale and coffee morning will be held on the morning of **Saturday 14th May**. There will be a wide selection of bedding plants, all PROFESSIONALLY supplied to the Sunday Club and waiting to be planted in your garden.

The sale will be from 9:30 till 12 noon and the hall will be open for donations of **baking** on the Friday evening (6pm) or from 8:30 on the Saturday.

This is the Sunday Club's main fund-raising event for the year.

We greatly appreciate gifts of home-baking and all the help and support we get from parents and friends. Anyone who would like to help please contact Hilary or Douglas Carswell (644 1099).



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