



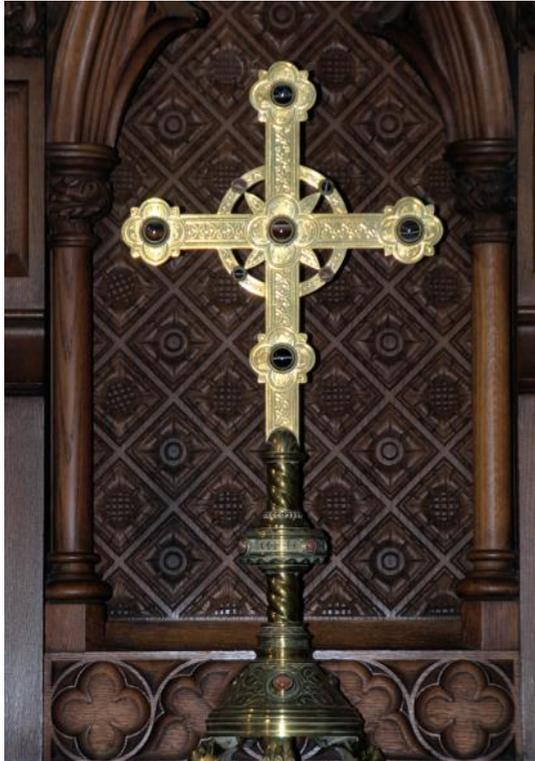
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Are we there yet?!

Not the plaintive cry from the back seat of the car but our thoughts as we await the next pronouncement on continuation or easing of lockdown.

But what if we re-order our thinking? What if we seek to prolong our restriction to fewer activities? The absence of hugs and kisses from others is of course a difficult privation but what about the other things that we are doing without? Perhaps if lockdown continues there is the possibility that it can last long enough to give us time to re-evaluate and establish new ways of living that appreciate our interdependence with others and all in God's creation so that when we emerge again we take action to maintain what we have re-learned.



Last month in the Eagle I talked about the hope of Easter. In these past few weeks, I have begun to think of hope differently. At times of crisis, mission and pastoral care need to be tight alongside each other. When they work together it becomes possible not just to talk about hope, or in our 'church speak', to proclaim it but to enact hope. One of the things that I think sounds hollow when we talk to those who do not believe in God or who half believe in something 'other' (which is probably most people) is talk about hope. Hope without action, even a tiny action, is meaningless. In fact, it is probably micro-actions, especially many of them in a sequence that have the biggest impact because others can see us 'doing' hope. We need to **be** church but **do** hope. In this time of pandemic

crisis, we have seen many people **doing** hope. The phone calls, the food on the doorstep, cutting someone's grass.

We saw Jesus doing hope through conversation in his encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well (John 4.7-26). There were many micro-actions in this conversation but to highlight a few:

Jesus asks for water from a Samaritan woman – micro-action of stepping outside tribalism

Friendly banter about water that never runs out – micro-action of mutual commitment to sustain the encounter

Jesus explains the possibility of a God of truth – micro-action of an offer of a new inclusive way of being

No doubt we have all had the benefit of conversation over the past weeks. The story of the woman at the well is perhaps a dramatic example but it highlights people prepared to take risks – stepping outside the norms of the day and demonstrating that everyone is known and loved by God.

*With love*

*Elaine*



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May those who are vulnerable, hungry or homeless, experience support,

May those who are anxious or bereaved, sense comfort.

Bless and guide political leaders and decision-makers, with strength and well-being,

Bless and guide each one of us, as we adapt to a new way of living,

And may the light shining from our window,

Across the road and wynd, glen and ben, kyle  
and isle,

Be reflected in our hearts and hands and  
hopes.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

A happy Dorothy, smiling as always.

The above poem inserted at the request of  
our Editor, the picture, in view of her modesty,  
inserted by Gordon



## FREEWILL OFFERING

First of all I would like to thank all those members of the congregation who have arranged to continue giving their weekly collection directly to St John's via a standing order from their bank. At a time when we have a reduced income (no fund raising, no hall rent) it is very much appreciated.

If you would like join this growing band the details you will need are as follows: Bank Sort code 80-06 -77 Account No. 00928929 just pop into the bank and fill in the appropriate form or if you have on-line banking its even easier. One less thing to worry about!

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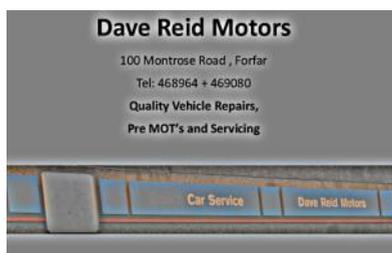
## PITLOCHRY THEATRE TRIP

We have been informed by the theatre that the summer season has been cancelled. I have asked for a refund of the ticket money and will be in touch with those who have paid in due course. Already some participants have generously indicated that they will forego the refund and have instead donated it to St John's fund raising effort. If anyone else wishes to do likewise could you please let me (819489) or Fay (818787) know.

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## New times....new skills

Times, they are “a changing “ as has often been said before but probably not more than now, so I thought I might share a light-hearted look at life here in the Rectory.

Looking around I reckon there are going to be a lot of very nice gardens in Forfar, the number of seemingly previously neglected areas have recently been littered with often numerous people whose preferred position is on hands and knees with their bottoms in the air. I have never really seen the attraction, but who am I to criticise? My only contribution to gardening over the many years I have been married to a keen horticulturist, has been the wielding of a chain saw; and to be honest I am more inter-



ested in how the chain saw works than in actually doing the work! Amazing what one will do for harmony in the home.



Gardening's new heights

Lockdown has meant a boom for delivery services, but I suspect that these organisations have had to recruit additional staff, some of whom may not be quite so familiar with delivery addresses as their longer established colleagues. I have been waiting for a couple of items that I need to help with the maintenance of my car (now that is a worthwhile way to pass time – in my opinion) but despite the sender’s tracking system saying that my bits have been delivered, I have nothing. Why is it that unimportant things like gardening stuff arrives next day but vital equipment does not?

As I am reliably informed by guess who that I am in the vulnerable group, and due to the frustrations mentioned in the previous paragraph, I have been forced into going for a walk; occasionally. It is amusing to see people doddering around the local park and studiously mentally calculating a distance of six feet, or for the slightly younger two metres, separation while also allowing for the odd stagger. It is however nice to see some managing to interrupt the fierce concentration required to manage a smile and maybe even a nod of greeting on their way past.

Evening tv is getting a real workout even if the waistline isn't, and in the meantime hair becomes ever more of a jungle. Mind you, I am glad that I will not

be part of the scramble for a hair appointment when 26 million women are released from this lockdown!

I look forward to seeing you again sometime soon(ish), but above all, stay safe.

Gordon



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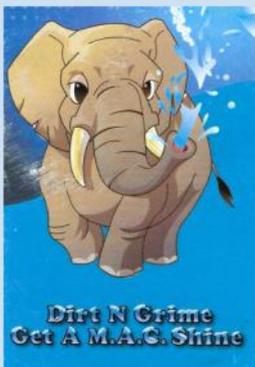


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and made art, and played games,

and learned new ways of being,

and were still.

Some meditated, some prayed, some danced,

Some met their shadows.

And the people began to think differently.

And the people healed,

And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous,

mindless, and heartless ways, the earth began to heal.

And when the danger passed,

and the people joined together again,

they grieved their losses, and made new choices,

and dreamed new images,

and created new ways to live and to heal the earth fully,

as they themselves had been healed.