



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026 • 10.30AM

Founded in God's love. Serving at the heart of Dunfermline. Welcoming friend and stranger in worship and community.

Welcome to the Abbey Church of Dunfermline

We are pleased that you have joined us for worship either in the church building or in your own space.

- A card reader is available at the North Door for those who wish to donate by card.
- The service is streamed on YouTube. Please be aware that you may be caught on camera, although both cameras are focussed on the minister, choir, or reader, and those who are taking part in the service.
- Wherever there is **Bold print**, please be **Bold** and join in.

We welcome the Rev Fiona Smith to lead our worship this morning

Order of Worship

Preludes	Praeludium	<i>JC Kittel</i>
	Trio in B minor	<i>JL Krebs</i>
	Fugue in B flat	<i>G Merkel</i>
Introit	Arise, shine for thy light is come	<i>Huw Williams</i>

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, my soul.

I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Do not put your trust in princes,
in human beings, who cannot save.

**When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;
on that very day their plans come to nothing.**

Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**He is the Maker of heaven and earth,
the sea, and everything in them—
he remains faithful forever.**

He upholds the cause of the oppressed
and gives food to the hungry.

**The Lord sets prisoners free,
the Lord gives sight to the blind,
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,
the Lord loves the righteous.**

The Lord watches over the foreigner
and sustains the fatherless and the widow,
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

**The Lord reigns forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.**

Praise the Lord.

Psalm 146

Hymn No 167 (Cwm Rhondda)

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Welcome & Intimations

Prayers of Approach, Confession & Words of Assurance

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever. Amen.**

Time to Talk

Hymn No 513 (Courage Brother)

“Courage, brother! do not stumble”

A reading from the Gospels

Matthew 2: 13-18
p2 (NT Section)

Anthem

Holy Spirit, truth divine

Andrew Carter (d 5.1.26)

A reading from the Gospels

Matthew 2: 19-23
p2 (NT Section)

Hymn No 331 (Puer Nobis)

“Unto us a boy is born!”

Sermon

“The Love of Power vs the Power of Love”

Offering and Dedication

Offertory There is sweet music here *A Carter*

This time offers a moment to reflect on the readings we have heard, but also the use of our gifts of time, talent and money in the world. The contactless giving was available on entry into the church, and for those who still wish to donate the offertory bags will be passed amongst the congregation. Donations can also be made on our website donation page, https://dunfermlineabbey.com/wwp/?page_id=10345. Or you can simply use your mobile and text LNBW01 to 70970 to give £5.

Prayers of the People

Hymn No 465 (Slane)

“Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart”

Benediction & Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Trumpet Tune for Organ

A Carter

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Intimations

Services This Week:

Sunday 18th January

10.30am Morning Worship
with guest preacher, the Rev Ian Dick

MaryAnn is currently on compassionate leave. Those requiring the urgent services of a minister should contact the Joint Session Clerks in the first instance: ks.dunfermline.abbey.church@gmail.com

The **Church Office** is open on 9.30am – 11.30am on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Leeza Clark can be contacted either by phone, 01383 723005, or by email, dunfermline.abbey.church@gmail.com

The deadline for February's edition of **The Arrow** is 9.30am tomorrow, Monday 12th January.

The Abbey Men's Walking Group meets on Tuesday 13th January at 10.30am, starting from the top of the steps at the West Door of the Abbey. Further information can be obtained from dunfermlineabbeymwg@gmail.com.

The **Labour of Love** group meets from 2pm to 3.30pm on Wednesday 14th January in the church halls. All are welcome.

Jars of Compassion 2025: Sincere thanks to those who have been filling jars with coins in support of our annual appeal. Please note that filled jars (or a donation) should be brought to Church on Sunday 25th January, clearly marked Jars of Compassion Appeal. Should you be unable to attend church then donations can be made by cheque, made payable to The Abbey Church of Dunfermline, and sent to Jars of Compassion Appeal, Abbey Office, 6 Abbey Park Place, Dunfermline, KY12 7PD or by bank transfer using online banking.

For the past few years, the 4th Dunfermline Abbey Boys' Brigade Company & Girls' Association has enjoyed hosting its annual Burns Supper. This year, however, we're adding a little spice and doing something different! We're delighted to invite you to our first **"Evening of Spice, Song and Celebration"** - a Curry Evening, promising a relaxed night of delicious food, good company, and great entertainment. Whether you're a curry connoisseur or simply fancy a fun night out, there'll be something for everyone to enjoy. **Saturday 7th February, 6.30pm, £15 per person, including a 3-course meal (menu to follow)** To reserve your tickets, please email 4thdunfermline@boys-brigade.org.uk.

Used Stamps: This is a little reminder to save used stamps. Boxes are on the table at the Church door and windowsill in the Church Halls. Proceeds from the sale of the stamps are donated to the World Mission project.

Intimations and church notices should be with in the office account by 9.30am on Wednesday.

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