



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

SUNDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2026 • 10.30AM

SACRAMENT OF INFANT BAPTISM

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.

Preparation for Worship

And the world itself – can I have been unhappy, living in Paradise? What keen, tingling sunlight there was! The mere smells were enough to make a man tipsy – cut grass, dew-dabbled mosses, sweet, pea, autumn woods, wood burning, peat, salt water. the sense ached. I was sick with desire; that sickness better than health. All this is true, but it does not make the other version a lie. I am telling a story of two lives.

CS Lewis, Surprised by Joy

Order of Worship

Prelude Prelude on “Rhosymedre” *R Vaughan Williams*

Introit O come, let us sing unto the Lord *George Macfarren*

Call to Worship

Hymn No 125 (Ombersley) *“Lord of all being, thorned afar”*

Welcome & Intimations

Opening Prayer

Time to Talk

Hymn No 600 (Skye Boat Song) *“Spirit of God, unseen as the word”*

Sacrament of Baptism *during which we will sing the blessing:*

**The Lord bless you, and keep you:
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you:
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
and give you peace.**

Members of the congregation are invited to participate by saying “We do” after the question to the congregation and then continue by saying together:

**We will nurture one another in faith,
uphold one another in prayer,
encourage one another in service.**

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.**

A reading from the New Testament

2 Peter 1: 16-21
p233 (NT Section)

Anthem As truly as God is our Father

William Mathias

A reading from the Gospels

Matthew 17: 1-9
p17 (NT Section)

Hymn No 595 (St Columba/Erin)

“Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire”

Sermon

Offering and Dedication

Offertory

Romanza “The White Rock”

Vaughan Williams

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/www/?page_id=10345. Or you can simply use your mobile and text LNBW01 to 70970 to give £5.

Prayers of the People

Hymn No 167 (Cwm Rhondda)

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Benediction & Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Processional

Mathias

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Intimations

Services This Week:

Sunday 22nd February

10.30am Morning Worship

Worship will be led by the Rev Fiona Smith

Minister’s annual leave: The Minister is annual leave from Tuesday 17th February until Monday 23rd February (inclusive). Those requiring the urgent services of a minister should contact the Joint Session Clerk, Frances McCafferty, during this time. Her contact details can be found on the second page of The Arrow.

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 next **Heart for Art** run by CrossReach session in the church halls is tomorrow, Monday 16th February. It offers the Playlist for Life Help Point from 10.30am to 12.30pm as part of its support for people with dementia and their carers.

The **Men’s Club** meets at 9.30am on Wednesday 18th February in the Church Halls. All are welcome.

The **Ladies Forum** meets on Wednesday 18th February at 2pm in the Church Halls for chair yoga led by Lisa Mulube.

The deadline for March’s edition of **The Arrow** is tomorrow, Monday 16th February, at 9.30am.

Abbey Kids invites families to **Everyday Adventures** this spring - exploring storytelling, imagination, and confidence through art and crafts. Fridays from 20th February, 4–5.30pm in the Church Halls. Book: bit.ly/abbeykids2026

Could you be a Helping Hero? Messy Church volunteers are needed on Saturday 21st February, 12.30–4.30 pm, in the Church Halls. Contact Matt if you are able to help at cyf.dunfermline.abbey.church@gmail.com

Bereavement Support Group meets on Thursday 26th February from 11am to 12.30pm in the Church Halls. The group is open to anyone who has been bereaved,

whether or not they are a member of the church. It offers an opportunity for mutual support over a cup of tea or coffee.

Jar of Compassion Appeal 2025: Sincere thanks to everyone who has supported this annual appeal in aid of UNICEF and our sponsorship of Ibrahim through the charity ActionAid. Anyone still wishing to return a filled jar or make a donation will be able to do so up until Sunday 22nd February.

The hymnbook “**God Welcomes All**” is being explored on Saturday 28th February from 2pm-4.30pm at St Leonard’s Parish Church, Dunfermline. The Church of Scotland Worship Development Officer, along with Fischy Music and Nancy Crook (church organist) will be introducing some of the music found within the pages. If you would like to go along, please book here <https://uwy1c47.short.gy/my-link>

Fundraiser: On Sunday 1st March at 2pm in the Abbey, Liam Forrest and Frances McCafferty, accompanied by Matthew Beetschen, will present "A Fond Farewell", a fundraising concert for the Abbey. This will be the Liam's final performance in Dunfermline before he heads off to Glyndebourne and then Stuttgart. Tickets, priced £10, are available now from Frances either in church or by phoning or texting 07768 650408 to order.

If you are considering **Church Membership** or would like to know more about being part of Dunfermline Abbey, please be in touch with the minister via email. Over the next few weeks she will be exploring Christian faith with those who are interested in what it means to be part of a church community.

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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