# Bonnybridge Parish Church WAR MEMORIALS

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Bonnybridge Parish Church currently has two sets of plaques for the First and Second World Wars in its vestibule. Those on the right (east) are from St Helen's Church in High Bonnybridge where the First World War plaque was erected in 1935 The equivalent plaque for the parish church was unveiled in 1920, with the Second World War memorial added in 1960..

# **ST HELEN'S**

A rectangular phosphor-bronze plaque: "TO THE GLORY OF GOD/ SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING/ WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR US/ DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR 1939-1945/

DAVID BRYSON F JAMES CAMPBELL V JOHN FERGUSON A JAMES FRASER V ALAN GODDARD J JAMES GRINDLAY E GEORGE IRVINE HANSON F COLIN M<sup>C</sup>NAB WEIR

ROBERT IRVINE WALTER MANN ALAN M<sup>C</sup>GIBBON WILLIAM M<sup>C</sup>GIBBON JOHN M<sup>AC</sup>NAB DAVID STEWART ROBERT THOMSON

Their name Liveth Evermore

Another larger rectangular phosphor-bronze plague with art nouvou borders.

**"ROYAL NAVAL DIVISION** AB J FERGUSON

**ARGYLL & SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS** 

**ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS** 1914 1918

PTE J MACKAY

AB J GRAY

PTE J HUXTABLE

### **ROYAL MARINE LIGHT INFANTRY SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS ROYAL ENGINEERS**

PTE W KIRK PTE A MACKAY PTE J PORTEOUS PTE P SINCLAIR

SAPPER O EVANS

L/CPL A CRUSE PTE A LOW PTE J LOW PTE J M<sup>C</sup>AINSH PTE M MACKAY CSM C MONRO PTE A RUTHERORD PTE J SEATON CPL J YOUNG

PTE T YOUNG

**GORDON HIGHLANDERS** PTE J BRODIE PTE S M<sup>C</sup>PHERSON PTE WT SMITH

**ROYAL FIELD ARTILLERY** DRIVER D HOLMES

WEST YORKSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY **PE J FAWCETT** 

**NEW ZEALAND CONTINGENT** PTE J KIRKLAND

#### **KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS**

PTE A M<sup>C</sup>GILLIVRAY L/CPL J MINFORD

**CANADIAN CONTINGENT** PNR J M<sup>C</sup>KIM

#### **DULCE ET DECORUM EST PRO PATRIA MORI"**

#### **BONNYBRIDGE PARISH**

A rectangular plague of polished brass mounted on marble. In the two top corners are laurel wreaths, and there are Maltese crosses in the lower ones. A roundel at the top centre shows a burning bush. It is attached to a rectangular white marble plaque veined with pink.

#### *``1914 1919*

## TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN EVER GRATEFUL MEMORY OF THE MEN AND LADS OF THIS CHURCH WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR FREEDOM AND HUMANITY IN THE GREAT WAR

#### WILLIAM AITKEN PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS JAMES BUCHANAN PTE ROYAL WEST KENTS THOMAS DUNCAN PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS CAMPBELL FERGUSON PTE ROYAL SCOTS DAVID FERNIE

JAMES GILLIES PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS **ROBERT GRAHAM** SAPPER ROYAL ENGINEERS JAMES HENDERSON PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS WILLIAM HENDERSON PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS DANIEL HOLMES

SGT ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS THOMAS GOODWIN L/CPL GORDON HIGHLANDERS JOHN G GILLESPIE PTE 9<sup>TH</sup> HLI

JAMES MITCHELL PTE 11<sup>TH</sup> HERTFORDHIRE REGT JAMES SCOTT PTE ROYAL SCOTTS PETER M<sup>C</sup>AUSLIN PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS HENRY MCALPINE SEAMAN HMS POWERFUL JOHN M<sup>C</sup>CALLUM MM CPL ROYAL WEST KENTS JAMES M<sup>C</sup>CLAY PTE SCOTS GUARDS FRANCIS M<sup>C</sup>WATT PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS WILLIAM WATSON MM CPL ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS **RICHARD WALKER** L/CPL ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS **BERTIE YOUNG** L/CPL ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS SGT ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS JAMES JOSS MM PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS J LAURANCE PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS

CLARKE PORTEOUS SGT 12<sup>TH</sup> HLI NATHANAEL F REID PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS PETER SINCLAIR PTE SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS DAVID STALKER PTE ROYAL WEST KENTS DUNCAN STALKER PTE ARGYLL SUTHERLAND HIGHRS ALEXANDER STEWART PTE CAMERON HIGHLANDERS ROBERT STEWART PTE 18<sup>TH</sup> HLI

"THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE"

The memorial tablet was unveiled by Rev James Steel, the retired minister of the parish, and dedicated by Rev Duncan McCorkindale in April 1921. Following the address there was a silence, while Piper A. McNeilage played the lament, "Lochaber no More." and Bugler E. Wardrop sounded the "Last Post". The service was brought to a close with the singing of hymn 339 – "For all the Saints" – the National Anthem, and the Benediction.



Below this is a second brass plaque with laurel leaves at either end with the dates 1939 and 1945.

#### **"ALSO IN THE SECOND WORLD-WAR**

WALTER JOHNSTON L/C RAOC HUGH WREN SERGT RAF VR DAVID MILLER PTE RAOC ALASTAIR RS RITCHIE O/CD ROYAL NAVY JOHN M<sup>C</sup>I ANDERSON FLIGHT ENGINEER RAF JAMES FRASER LES 25B ROYAL NAVY