Calendar Activities

BURN'S NIGHT



Burn's Night is the name for the celebration of Scottish Poet, Robert Burns and is held this year on Monday January 25th, the poet's birthday.

Robert Burns is best know for his poems 'To A Mouse', 'A Red, Red Rose', 'Auld Lang Syne' as well as the 'Address to a Haggis' which is recited prior to the Burn's night feast.

A traditional Burn's night would be celebrated with haggis, neeps and tatties and finished off with a traditional clootie pudding.

The Order of Service

Piping in the guests - traditionally a Burn's night supper would have a piper, playing the bag pipes as the guests arrived to the supper.

Host's welcome to the guests - the host will welcome and introduce guests and layout the evening's entertainment.

The Selkirt Grace - This is a short poem/prayer by Burns which is recited to welcome in the meal.

Some hae meat and canna eat,
And some wad eat that want it,
But we hae meat and we can eat,
And sae the Lord be thankit.

Piping in the Haggis - The haggis is brought in on a silver platter and the guests clap to the piped music until the haggis reaches the dinner table for serving.

Address to the haggis- The poem is read, and on the final line of *"Gie her a haggis!"* the haggis is ceremoniously cut by the reader along it's length.

Toasting the haggis - The guests all hold their drinks up high and toast the haggis shouting 'The Haggis!'

The Haggis is ready to be eaten!



Address to the Haggis

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