

*Scottish Episcopal Church,
Saint Ninian's, Troon*

Sunday 24th December

8.00 am
10.30 am
11.30 am

Christmas Eve/Fourth Sunday of Advent
Holy Communion (pages 326 & 99)
Morning Prayer and Young People's Presentation
Said Eucharist

Hymns at Morning Prayer

42 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
62 *Come and join the celebration,*
82 See him lying on a bed of straw,
72 Joy to the world, the Lord is come !

Readings at the Said Eucharist

Hebrew Scripture
Epistle
Gospel

The Year of Mark (*Pew Bible pages in brackets*)
2 Samuel 7: 1 - 11 + 16 (245)
Romans 16: 25 - 27 (926)
Luke 1: 26 - 38 (831)

8.00 pm

**Christmas Celebration 'Carols, Communion
and Cake by Candlelight'** (*see separate booklet*)

Monday 25th December

8.00 am
10.30 am

Christmas Day
Holy Communion (pages 326 & 100)
Simple Eucharist (*See separate booklet*)

Readings at the Eucharist

Hebrew Scripture
Gospel

Isaiah 9: 2 - 7 (555)
Luke 2: 1 - 20 (832)

Wednesday 27th December
10.00am

St. John, Evangelist
Holy Communion (pages 326 & 106)

Friday 29th December

No Evening Prayer

Sunday 31st December

8.00am
11.00am

First Sunday after Christmas
Holy Communion (pages 326 & 110)
Ecumenical Service – Seagate Evangelical Church with
Holy Communion NO SERVICE AT ST. NINIAN'S

Wednesday 3rd January
10.00am

The Naming Of Jesus (from 1st)
Holy Communion (pages 326 & 111)

Friday 5th January

Evening Prayer

Welcome

Welcome to St. Ninian's during this Christmas season. We extend a warm welcome to all who join us for worship. Please join us for refreshments in the Hall following the Said Eucharist.

Communion

All who are baptised are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer a simple blessing please come to the altar with the Order of Service in your hand. If you are frail and would like the Sacrament brought to you please inform the Welcomers before the Eucharist begins.

Thank You

The Rector would like to thank everyone for their hard work leading up to the Christmas period and wishes everyone a Happy Christmas.

Epiphany

There will be a Congregational Party - non-alcoholic mulled wine and mince pies - in the Rectory following the Sung Eucharist on **Sunday 7 January**. All are very welcome.

Book Group

The next meeting of the Book Group is on **Wednesday 17 January** and the book being discussed will be *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead.

Foodbank

Sunday 7 January is the day to bring your donations for the local Foodbank. More information about suggested donations can be found on the church website.

Fellowship

The St. Ninian's Fellowship continues on **Tuesday 9 January** and this will be a talk on Caribbean Islands by Sandy McIntosh. Refreshments will be served and the meeting takes place in the Church Hall, **commencing at 7.30pm. All** are most welcome to any of the meetings.

Spring Magazine

Please note the deadline for the February, March and April Church Magazine is **Monday 15th January**. Please send your contributions to the Editor as early as possible in the New Year. Articles can be emailed to administrator@stninianstroon.org.uk. Make it your New Year's Resolution to get your articles in on time!

Support for Kilmarnock

If you wish to support Rev. Mary Jepp and the work she and the congregation at Holy Trinity are doing, prayerfully and practically, please speak to Robert Keene or the Rector.

Toilet Twinning

As part of our own initiative here at St Ninian's, we are hoping to raise funds for the charity 'Toilet Twinning'. There are collection boxes and leaflets at the back of the Church or donations can be made via the St Ninian's Just Giving page which is <http://www.justgiving.com/stninianschurch> and select Toilet Twinning. To donate by TEXT 70070 and send SNIN99 then £1/£2/£3/£4/£5 or £10. So far we have a donation figure of £164.81 through Just Giving and TEXT donations.

Ayrshire Charity Quiz

The December Quiz is available, the subject is 'Winter Wonderland'. All the answers relate in some way to the winter season. Entry costs £1 with all proceeds being donated to SeAScape, a charity which works across South Ayrshire to help homeless people and those in housing need. Please support this worthy cause - you might be surprised to know how many need this help in Troon. Completed entries can be returned to the folder on the Welcome Desk.

Flower Team

The greenery on the window sills will be removed from the Church on **Saturday 30 December** starting at 10.00am. Offers of help to do this will be gratefully received. Please speak to Maggie or Iolanthe. There will be a further meeting of those interested in helping with the Church Flowers, to plan the year ahead, on **Saturday 6 January at 10.00am** in the Rectory.

The Flower Team at St Ninian's would like to thank everyone who has supported and helped with the decoration of the church throughout 2017.

They are about to place the new 2018 Flower Rota on the Welcome Desk at the back of the church. They Flower Team would welcome and encourage anyone to sign the rota. Contributions can be made by arranging flowers or by donating money to an arrangement undertaken by a member of the Flower Team or congregation and friends.

There will be an opportunity to donate money towards the flowers, at the Welcoming Desk each Sunday, should you wish to do so.

Don't miss out!

Remember, if you are unable to be at church one Sunday you can still keep up-to-date with what is happening at St Ninian's by reading the Bulletin online at www.stninianstroon.org.uk/worship/weeklybulletin.

St Ninian's Church Website: www.stninianstroon.org.uk

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