

Scottish Episcopal Church,
Saint Ninian's, Troon

Sunday 28 January

**Fourth Sunday of Epiphany/
Homelessness Sunday**

**8.00 am
10.30 am**

Holy Communion (pages 326 & 122)
Sung Eucharist

Hymns at Sung Eucharist

Introit	169	Great God, your love has called us here, <u>omit v 2</u>
Gradual	104	Songs of thankfulness and praise, <u>omit vv 3 & 4</u>
Offertory	522	We cannot measure how you heal
Recessional	692	Jesus, good above all other,

Readings at the Sung Eucharist

Hebrew Scripture	The Year of Mark (<i>Pew Bible pages in brackets</i>)
Epistle	Deuteronomy 18: 15 - 20 (153)
Gospel	1 Corinthians 8: 1 - 13 (930)
	Mark 1: 21 - 28 (812)

Wednesday 31 January
10.00 am

Holy Communion (pages 326 & 122)

Friday 2 February
5.30 pm

Evening Prayer

Welcome

Welcome to St. Ninian's on this the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany/Homelessness Sunday, we extend a warm welcome to all who join us for worship this morning. Please join us for refreshments in the Hall following the Sung Eucharist.

We are delighted to welcome Ian Matheson this morning who is going to speak on the work being done locally to assist homeless people.

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.

The Great Troon Wall Hanging Weekend

Everyone is invited to come to the Church Hall on **Saturday 17 or Sunday 18 February between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm** to "Make your Mark" on The Wall Hanging. This is a chance to come, not only to see what has already been done, but to help with the final push to complete the Hanging before the summer. Hundreds of leaves, made by local school children, are waiting to be sown onto the tree. Refreshments will be served throughout the weekend.

St Ninian's Community Arts Project - Troon Wall Hanging

The Saturday dates for 2018 are: February 3, 10, 17/18 Special Weekend Event, 24: March 3, 10, 17, 24: April 14, 21, 28: May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2, 16 & 23.

More information is available on St Ninian's website - www.stninianstroon.org.uk/troonwallhanging There is also a dedicated email address for information - troonwallhanging@gmail.com

Leaf Makers for the Wall Hanging

The Rector would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be able to visit one of the local schools with him to assist the children in making leaves for the Wall Hanging. Full details will be available soon, but please speak to the Rector if you are able to help.

Help!

During the Great Wall Hanging Weekend there will be refreshments served throughout the two days and also helpers are needed to welcome visitors as they arrive at the Hall.

If you are able to help with the refreshments at some time during the weekend please speak to Dorothy Williamson or Dorothy Wilson who are compiling a rota.

Jennie Greenwood has agreed to co-ordinate the Welcome Team for the Great Troon Wall Hanging Open Weekend. She is looking for Volunteers to assist for an hour or two (between the hours of 10.00am and 4.00pm on Saturday and Sunday 17 and 18 February) Simple instructions will be given. This is our great push to try and get the Wall Hanging well on the way to completion. If you or any of your friends could help please contact Jennie on her landline 01292 311891, her active mobile 07535 451 489 or email: jennie.greenwood69@gmail.com

Fellowship

The St. Ninian's Fellowship continues on **Tuesday 6 February** and this will be a talk on Stage Management by Roger Robinson. 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.

Same Gender Marriage - Vestry Meeting

There will be a dedicated Vestry Meeting on **Thursday 22 February** to discuss Same Gender Marriage. Please speak to the Rector, or any member of the Vestry, and express your views. You may speak directly to the Rector or write to him. Your letter will be dealt with in strict confidence unless you give the Rector permission to disclose the contents.

Book Group

The next meeting of the Book Group is on **Friday 2 March** at 7.30pm in the Rectory and the book being discussed will be **Close Quarters by Angus McAllister.**

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. There will be full details about ways to give in the forthcoming magazine.

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. We have now exceeded £1,000 through Just Giving, Gift Aid and TEXT Donations, but please don't let that stop you making a donation!

Christmas Review

The Wardens will be circulating a simple questionnaire inviting your preference for the principle celebration on Christmas Eve. The letters will be included with the next magazine and can be returned to church and placed in the Offertory Bag or posted directly to the Rector using an SAE, by **Mothering Sunday, 11 March.**

Magazine Distributors

The Rector would be very grateful if Magazine Distributors could deliver the new magazine as soon as possible when it is available next Sunday. The magazine will include a request for comments on the preferred time of the Christmas Eve service. The form must be returned to the Rector by Mothering Sunday, 11 March.

Lent Study

Plans are under way for this year's Lent Course. It will begin on **Wednesday 21 February** with an evening entitled 'The Christ we Share' - An exploration of our view of the Lord Jesus using Scripture and Contemporary Images.

The next meetings will be on **Thursdays 1 March, 8 March & 15 March** and these will be Prayer, Scripture and Music to reflect on Our Experience of the Power of God's Love.

The final meeting will be on **Friday 23 March** entitled 'Meditation on the Way of the Cross' - An exploration of the Passion of the Lord Jesus using Scripture, and Traditional and Contemporary images. All meetings will be from **7.30pm – 8.30pm and take place in the church.**

Traidcraft

The next Traidcraft stall will be on **Sunday 11 February** following the Sung Eucharist.

Church Flowers

The new 2018 Flower Rota is now on the Welcome Desk at the back of the church. The 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 using the small brown envelopes on the Welcome Desk marked 'Flower Fund'. There is also a slip available to enable the money to be Gift Aided, and this can be completed and placed in the envelope. Completed envelopes should be placed in the Offertory Bag.

School-in-a-Box Kit

Can you support the children in each of the Primary Schools in Troon to raise £150 per school to purchase a School-in-a-Box Kit from UNICEF to enable the teaching to begin before the school is built in Haiti?

There are three possible ways to help:

1. Sponsor children doing the Troon Park Run.
2. Sponsor the children's 'Run to Haiti'.
3. Collecting any type of serviceable shoes. These can be placed in the box at the back of the church. (Clarks Shoes will make a donation to UNICEF for every ton of shoes collected.)

For details of how to sponsor individual children please visit the local Primary Schools websites or speak to the Rector.

The events will take place 13 - 28 February.

Ayrshire Charity Quiz

The January Quiz is available on the Welcome Desk, the subject is 'The Wonder of Science' (hopefully not as daunting as it sounds!). 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.

Fiddler's Concert

The Rotary Club will be holding their annual Fiddlers' Concert in Troon Concert Hall on **Friday 16th February 2018**, beginning at 7.30pm. Proceeds, as always, go to support Rotary's work at home and abroad.

The ever-popular Tourie Band will star along with the 1st Troon Boys Brigade Pipe Band and the evening will be hosted by the inimitable Jim McCall MBE.

This is a very popular event and tickets sell quickly. Prices are £12 (Concession £10) with an under 16yrs £5 entry at the door.

David Sutherland has tickets exclusively for sale within St Ninian's. Please speak to him in church or call 311980.

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/worship/weeklybulletin.

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

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