

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

**Sunday 4 February**

8.00 am  
10.30 am

**Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)**

**Holy Communion** (pages 326 & 254)  
**Sung Eucharist**

**Hymns at Sung Eucharist**

**Introit** 113 **When candles are lighted on Candlemas Day,**  
**omit vv 6 - 12**  
**Gradual** 42 **Longing for light, we wait in darkness** **omit vv 3 & 4**  
**Offertory** 110 **Hail to the Lord who comes** **omit v 4**  
**Recessional** 709 **Light of the minds that know him,**

**Readings at the Sung Eucharist**

**Hebrew Scripture**

**Epistle**

**Gospel**

**The Year of Mark** (*Pew Bible pages in brackets*)

**Malachi 3: 1 - 4 (778)**

**Hebrews 2: 14 - 18 (971)**

**Luke 2: 22 - 40 (833)**

Wednesday 7 February

10.00 am

Holy Communion (pages 326 & 254)

Friday 9 February

5.30 pm

Evening Prayer

**Welcome**

Welcome to St. Ninian's on this the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas), 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.

**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.

**Healing Service**

The next Healing Service will take place on **Sunday 11 February at 4.00pm**. It is hoped that this will be of benefit to many people in the community who live with a whole range of conditions and who long for the help that God alone can bring.

**Ash Wednesday**

Lent begins on **Wednesday 14 February** with services of Holy Communion at **10.00am and 7.30pm** which will both include an opportunity to receive the Imposition of Ashes.

**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. Please see page 2 about helping with this.

**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](http://www.stninianstroon.org.uk/troonwallhanging) There is also a dedicated email address for information - [troonwallhanging@gmail.com](mailto:troonwallhanging@gmail.com)

## **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 (07985 748377) 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](mailto:jennie.greenwood69@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.

## **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.

## **Traidcraft**

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

## **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!

## **Bishop's Lent Appeal**

The Bishop's Lent Appeal will be for Motor Neurone Disease Scotland in memory of the Diocesan Secretary, Chris Zochowski, who died from this disease earlier this year. Lent boxes will be available from Ash Wednesday.

## **MAGAZINE**

The Spring edition of St Ninian's magazine is now available at the back of the church for collection and distribution. The Rector would be very grateful if Magazine Distributors could please deliver the new magazine as soon as possible as it includes a letter from the Rector with a comment form about the Christmas Services, to be returned. The form should be placed in the Offertory Bag or posted directly 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**.

Also as part of Lent there will be booklets for everyone entitled #Live Lent - Let your Light Shine, which the Rector will talk about this morning. These should be available next Sunday.

## **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.

## **Serviceable Shoes**

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 February Quiz is available on the Welcome Desk, the subject is Characters from Children's Literature. 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.

## **Pisky.scot**

Pisky.scot is the Scottish Episcopal Church's (SEC) online forum for news and opinion. It replaces *Inspires*, our old quarterly print magazine. Articles are welcome on any topic relevant to the Church. Likewise discussion thereon. There is no length restriction other than your own common-sense judgment of the reader's attention span. The platform can be used for audiovisual contributions as well as written ones.

This is an open forum for all SEC members – laity and clergy alike. If you have news and insights worth sharing with your fellow Piskies, please share them through [Pisky.scot](http://Pisky.scot).

## **Fiddle Concert**

The Rotary Club will be holding their annual Fiddle 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](http://www.stninianstroon/worship/weeklybulletin).

St Ninian's Church Website: [www.stninianstroon.org.uk](http://www.stninianstroon.org.uk)

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU AND KEEP IT FOR REFERENCE DURING THE WEEK**



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