

SAINT NINIAN'S SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TROON

Sunday 15 December 2024

Advent 3

President & Preacher: Rev Keith Thomasson

Our hope is that you will encounter God and friendship. You may sit anywhere in the nave part of the church. If you have young children with you, their exploration and heartfelt articulation of sound are most welcome.

Please join others in the hall for refreshment afterwards. Toilets are available in the hall, please ask for directions.

If you want to know more about faith, become involved with the life of St Ninian's, or want a pastoral visit please speak to Keith our Rector.

All who are baptised are welcome to receive Holy Communion in one or both forms. Please ask for a blessing if you want one when you come forward. Gluten free wafers are available and those requiring them should let the Welcomers know.

Please note that today's service will be live streamed via YouTube.

This will be as non-intrusive as is practicable but will include video of the nave except the back row on the right.

Hymns at the Eucharist

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| Opening hymn | 45 | O come, O come, Emmanuel, |
| Advent Candles | 26 (v3) | Advent candles tell their story |
| Gospel hymn | 259 | Enemy of Apathy |
| Offertory | 108 | When Jesus came to Jordan |
| Communion | 334 | In the Lord I'll ever be thankful (Taize) |
| Final hymn | 510 | Will you come and follow me. |

Collect

Stir up our prayers, Lord, and hear us: that they who are sorrowful and suffering may rejoice at the Advent of your only-begotten Son; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Readings Year C

Hebrew Scripture Zephaniah 3: 14 - 20 (767)

Canticle Isaiah 12: 2 - 6

Refrain: Shout aloud and sing for joy, for great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Epistle

Philippians 4: 4 - 7 (955)

Gospel

Luke 3: 7 - 18

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RECORDING AND STREAMING ST. NINIAN'S SERVICES

The live stream can be viewed by clicking on link: [youtube.com/@stninianstroon](https://www.youtube.com/@stninianstroon) or 'st ninian's troon' on You Tube

WHAT ABOUT MONEY?

Everything that happens at St Ninian's is dependent on the offerings and donations of everyone in the congregation. Regular offerings make the use of the buildings, grounds, ministry and music possible. They enable the congregation to exist, and to provide a welcome space to belong to, to explore faith, and to grow as a Christian.

If you wish you can also make an offering to St Ninian's by bank transfer to:

Bank account name: St Ninian's Church Vestry

Sort code: 82-68-21 **Account number:** 20510140

GIFT AID declaration forms are available on the Welcome Desk

THIS WEEK AT ST NINIAN'S - W/C 15 DECEMBER

Monday

10.00am

7.00pm

Morning Prayer with global music

'The Chosen' in the Rectory (for full details please see below)

Wednesday

10.00am

11.00am

Holy Communion

'The Chosen' in the Rectory

Thursday

7.30pm

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday 22 December **Advent 4 (Rev Jim Geen)**

10.30am

6.00pm

Sung Eucharist with hymns

Carol Service by candlelight preceded by refreshments in the Hall at 5.00pm.

THE CHOSEN - ADVENT STUDY

Troon sessions of the Advent Study Group will take place at 70 Bentinck Drive, Troon on **Monday evenings at 7.00pm** and on **Wednesday mornings at 11.00am**. Please contact Keith Thomasson on troonrector@myphone.coop if you wish to attend either of these sessions.

To prepare, you can watch the first episode via this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0E-8-NcL7tc> or on *The Chosen* website <https://watch.thechosen.tv/video/184683594334>

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for their generous contributions which has enabled us to purchase the Robes and Cinctures for young people.

BOOK GROUP

The next meeting of the Book Group is **Tuesday 7 January**. The book we are reading is "Dispatched from Pluto" by Richard Grant. The Group takes place in the Meeting Room from 2.30 - 4.00pm.

FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting of the Fellowship takes place on **Tuesday 7 January** when Liz Kirby will be giving an illustrated talk about the history of Dundonald Castle and the community work carried out at the Visitor Centre.

STORY & SONG

The next Story & Song will be on **Thursday 9 January** at 10.00am.

SEASCAPE MONTHLY QUIZ

Copies of the monthly Quiz to support SeAscape are available on the Welcome Desk. The clues for the December quiz are Money, money, money with the clues leading to the names or nicknames of currencies, including coins, past and present.

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