ST. NINIAN'S NEWS February & March 2025



Welcome to the Newsletter for St Ninian's Troon

All are welcome to our Services 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Hymns on Sunday 10.00am Morning Prayer with music on Monday 10.00am Holy Communion on Wednesday

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Message from Rev Keith Thomasson....

Dear all,

Today the Electoral Synod for the Diocese elected a new Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway. I joined Reuben and Nigel as electors on two consecutive Saturdays in January, when we met at Holy Trinity Paisley with representatives from across the diocese.



As I write the position is being offered to the elected person and we await a formal announcement. Nevertheless, it is my hope that St Ninian's Troon will welcome the new Bishop later in the year and be open to their ministry amongst us.

It has been a delight to be involved as a member of the Preparatory Committee, elected by the clergy of the Diocesan Synod. This has meant much prayer and collaboration as we have worked as colleagues from across the diocese and Province to devise the paperwork for the vacancy of the bishop (with your help), an involvement in shortlisting, initial interviews, and presenting candidates to meet the electoral synod. The key characteristics we looked for were *Calling*, *Competence*, *and Chemistry*.

On a Provincial level, earlier in the month Bishop John announced his retirement as Bishop of Edinburgh which will take effect in the summer. Several other bishops are also nearing retirement. The landscape of the church is changing, and the membership of the College of Bishops is too. My involvement in the process for Glasgow and Galloway has made me even more aware that as an episcopally-led church we have serious vocational work to do, to ensure that enough people are equipped for this work.

I wonder, do we expect bishops to appear or are we going to engage more deeply is this shared task?

At a provincial level I suggest much serious thought, reflection, and prayer is required as we consider together how we want our bishops to be and what we want them to do. This impacts the diocesan, regional, and local levels too. Are we praying for more vocations to ministries of all kinds, lay and ordained? How might this be part of our weekly work of intercession?

Yours

Keith

ST NINIAN'S TROON WEEKLY WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday : Global Morning Prayer 10.00 - 10.30 (February 3 & 10 led by members of the congregation)

Wednesday: 10.00 Holy Communion (Wednesday 5 March - includes ashing on Ash Wednesday).

Thursday: 19.30 Plainsong Compline (February 6 & March 6); Taizé (February 20 & March 20).

ADDITIONAL AYRSHIRE REGIONAL COUNCIL SHARED SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sunday 2 February

16.00 Gathering to conclude the Advent Learning *The Chosen*, followed by tea and concluded with 18.00 Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity Ayr.

Ash Wednesday 5 March

The evening service will be hosted by Holy Trinity Kilmarnock. Further details to be announced.

Lent Learning

We shall read and discuss, alongside colleagues from across the region, the Revd Liz Crumlish's (St Oswald Maybole) **Women in the Bible**. *Please indicate your interest in being involved to Keith by February 9*.

Vestry

We meet on the following Sundays for a meeting that straddles lunch: February 16 and March 2. Please pray for your Vestry representatives as they work together and with us all, on discerning our core purpose/vocation at St Ninian's. When Vestry members come to speak with you about this and other matters, please welcome their interest and share your thoughts and questions in a kind and purposeful way.

THE OCCASIONAL OFFICES SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024: The baptism of Maeve Glasgow

What a joy it was to baptise Maeve. The welcome provided was open. It was a joyful service enhanced by full participation, a Godly-play style sermon, upbeat hymns, music that was joyful from various film scores and the wider organ repertoire alongside Bach, and children at the altar participating in the liturgy of the Eucharist.



FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER

The funeral of Clive Dowson

Clive Dowson died on Thursday 14 November and his funeral took place at Masonhill Crematorium on Friday 22 November. We give thanks for his life and participation at St Ninian's.

FRIDAY 10 JANUARY 2025 The funeral of Edith Cooper

Edith Cooper died aged ninety on Sunday 29 December and her funeral took place at Masonhill Crematorium on Friday 10 January. We give thanks for her life and participation at St Ninian's.

FAREWELL

It is with sadness that I inform the congregation of St Ninian's that Sunday 26 January was my last Sunday with you. My wife and I are in the process of selling our house and relocating to Trowbridge in Wiltshire. It has been a pleasure and a delight to play for you, to work with Keith your Rector and those also involved in the music life of St Ninian's.

I wish every success in the development of the music at St Ninian's.

Greg Abrahams

REPORT OF THE LAY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ELECTORAL SYNOD

On Saturday the 18th of January 2025, the Electoral Synod of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway elected the Reverend Canon Dr Nicholas John Bundock as Bishop on the second of a possible five ballots, with two-thirds clergy and over half of the lay representatives voting for that outcome, which meant that the vote for Nick comfortably exceeded the quota for his election. This is especially encouraging as the broad sentiment of the Synod was that all the candidates were highly suitable, so it is clear that Nick was not elected begrudgingly as the least bad option but elected enthusiastically as the best of a few very good alternatives put forward by the Preparatory Committee, which was responsible for longlisting, shortlisting, and interviewing candidates. Keith our Rector has played a key part in the work of the Preparatory Committee, for which many across the Diocese expressed their appreciation.

This was the climax of a process which began in September following the retirement of Bishop Kevin and has been overseen by the acting Bishop, and Bishop of Brechin, the Right Reverend Andrew Swift.

The process has gone very smoothly and has been guided by the Holy Spirit, as well as being characterised by prayerfulness, kindness, and respect. Prior to his election, Nick expressed a desire to begin his service as Bishop by going on a 'listening tour' of the Diocese so that he can listen to the hopes and concerns of congregations across the Diocese and to pray alongside these congregations, and I hope all readers will join me in looking forward to this.



The following information is from the Diocesan website (https://

www.glasgow.anglican.org/new-bishop-elected-for-glasgow-and-galloway-2025/#:~:text=The%20Reverend%20Canon%20Dr%20Nicholas,as%20Bishop%20for%20five%20years.):

Nick is currently the Team Rector of St James and Emmanuel, Didsbury, in the Diocese of Manchester in the Church of England. During his time there, he has developed and led an inclusive ministry known as 'Church for Everyone,' which has been transformative in creating vibrant, welcoming, and growing communities for people of all backgrounds, including those who have often felt excluded from traditional church settings.

He studied Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the University of Sheffield and the University of North Texas, before training for ordination at the University of Cambridge and Ridley Hall Theological College. He was ordained deacon in 2002 and priest in 2003, serving his curacy at St Saviour's, High Green in the Diocese of Sheffield. In 2005, he became Team Vicar, then in 2010, Team Rector at St James and Emmanuel, Didsbury, in the Diocese of Manchester. In 2024, he was made an Honorary Canon of Manchester Cathedral.

Following the election, the Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, the Most Rev Mark Strange said: "I am delighted to welcome Nick as Bishop-elect into this new season of ministry in the Scottish Episcopal Church.

I would also like to thank everyone who took part in the process—those who offered themselves and tested their discernment, as well as members of the Electoral Synod, Diocesan Council, Preparatory Committee, Diocesan staff and Bishop Andrew, Convener of the Electoral Process, for their prayerful work.

Please keep Nick and Rachel in your prayers as we plan his consecration and new beginnings in Scotland." The Bishop-elect said:

"I am deeply humbled and honoured to have been called to serve as the Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway. This is a diocese with a rich history, vibrant communities, and a deep commitment to embodying the love of Christ in every corner of its life.

Throughout the discernment process, I have been moved by the openness, warmth, and faithfulness of the people I have encountered. It is with great joy that I look forward to walking alongside clergy, laity and their wider communities as we seek to nurture and grow God's Kingdom together.

As we face the challenges and opportunities of this time, I am inspired by the diocese's vision of inclusion, justice, and hope. I firmly believe that the Scottish Episcopal Church has a unique voice to share in today's world, and I am committed to supporting and encouraging all who contribute to its mission and ministry.

I ask for your prayers as I prepare to take on this role, and I offer mine in return for the flourishing of this diocese and its people. Together, may we step boldly into the future, confident in the transforming power of God's love to create a Church for Everyone."

The Rt Rev Dr David Walker, Bishop of Manchester [Nick's current Bishop], said: "I'm delighted that Nick's episcopal calling has been recognised. We have seen his gifts and talents growing ever stronger during his time in Manchester Diocese. Whilst we will miss him here, I am confident that this is the right next stage in his journey as a minister in Christ's Church."

VESTRY NOTES

The Vestry met on Sunday 19 January at 70 Bentinck Drive. News of the appointment of the new Bishop was welcomed by the group.



Vestry noted, with grateful thanks, the work that Joe Cassidy has done in managing

Vestry Votes

Sandilands. As Joe has now stepped back from that role, Vestry agreed the appointment of Toner & McCartney as Letting Agents to manage the properties on our behalf. It was noted that this will cost £200 per month, money which will need to be raised.

Julia Izatt was appointed as Vestry representative on Troon Churches Together with Diane Bolland as an additional rep.

Vestry was sorry to receive the news that Greg Abraham is moving South in the very near future. A gift card will be presented on his last Sunday. There will be a retiring collection at a later date.

We were invited to discuss "What is the core business of St. Ninian's?" This led to interesting and varied comments, members deciding that it would be helpful to gain wider views, for example, by asking some members of the congregation and other contacts.

Vestry next meets on Sunday 16 February.

Dorothy Ferguson



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the next edition is Wednesday 19 March COVERING APRIL, MAY & JUNE

Articles should be emailed to **stninianschurchtroon@gmail.com**

FELLOWSHIP

We would like to thank Liz Kirby for stepping in at short notice and giving us a most interesting talk about the History of Dundonald Castle and the work undertaken at the visitors Centre.

At our next meeting on **Tuesday 4 February** Linda Rayner will be giving an illustrated talk on a visit to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. Then for our March meeting on **Tuesday 4 March**, Evan McLaughlin will be talking about his two visits to Tanzania with International Volunteer HQ working on building projects in Arusha. **Línda**



CHURCH AT HOME

The number of people involved in Church at home continues to decrease. After the death of Nan Inglis, and the more recent death of Edith Cooper, Doreen Jardine has left Queen's View Harbour Nursing Home to move to a home nearer her daughter. I was able to take Communion to her, the day before she left, which she so appreciated. Her daughters and partners kindly paused the 'great packing exercise' to give us some space for quiet, before they took the rest of the boxes away to their cars. I don't think any of us appreciated just how many possessions could be accumulated by one person, in one small room, in such a relatively short time! She left with the good wishes of all the staff.

Constance Wright has only recently had her 'Christmas' communion, as she was so busy with visits from family members, and then tradesman making alterations to her house. However she continues well and again asked to be remembered to those of you who know her.

Lorna Graham was very bright the last time we visited, and is still content to spend most of her time sitting by the picture window in the lounge of the home enjoying the sea view, and watching the comings and goings at the local shops.

Norma

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

We remember those close to our hearts, whose anniversary falls these coming months, including, in *February*, Betty Aitkenhead, Walter Collins, Lynn Deason, Pat Haigh, Marie Hawker, Judith Robinson and Alan Williamson and, in *March*, Paul Baker, Ian Campbell, Hugh Cheyne, Ulrich Haempel, Cath Hewitt, Tommy Hull, Dorothy Humphries, Ronnie Johnston, Joy McLeonard, Peggy Monckton, Tom Phillips, Ted Read and Hazel Sampson.

MUSIC OVER THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

It was superb to see all our musicians in action during Advent and Christmas, conducting, accompanying, playing special pieces, improvising, and singing. And throughout this maintaining good cheer and kindness, always encouraging one another and all participants. We were also blessed with Helen (trumpet), Ash (French Horn), and Johan (violin), and enlarged choirs. I am so delighted at the positive ethos emerging, the commitment to music as worship, and the variety we offer. Please do get involved, musical participation is open for all. It brings health benefits, the joy of learning, community involvement and spiritual nurture, and it is great fun.

I am delighted to celebrate the achievements of our young people who add so much. As well as their gaining places in various university, regional and national choirs and orchestras for 2025, of specific relevance to church is Susannah's involvement with the RSCM Youth Choir (which was formerly knowns as the Millennium Youth Choir). Congratulations to Susannah, Reuben and Johan.

And Dan adds...

Over Advent, we introduced some new musical elements to our services. How did you find them? Did they uplift your worship or not quite hit the mark? Your feedback is really important in helping us plan for the future, so please let us know your thoughts.

All through last year, we've been uplifted by the beautiful St. Helen's Mass setting, composed by Joanna Forbes L'Estrange, which has added so much joy and richness to our worship. (Also fun to play on the organ.)

As we step into 2025, this Mass setting will remain at the heart of our liturgies. So, sing your heart out - loud or soft, high or low - and let's give all the glory to God together.

Dan's organ music this year will have a little French flair, as he celebrates the 150th anniversary of composer Maurice Ravel (1875 – 1937). You might know his famous piece Boléro - the one Torvill and Dean brought to life in their unforgettable figure-skating routine at the 1984 Winter Olympics!

Our music team loves fresh ideas, so if you have thoughts or suggestions, don't be shy - chat to any of our musicians. We'd love to hear from you!"



Thank you to everyone who supported the Advent Carol Service and Nine Lessons and Carols in December. The retiring collections at both services enables us to donate £200 each to River Garden & Water Aid, our two chosen charities.

SCOTTISH GUILD OF SERVERS

Time has moved on very quickly and are in the season of Epiphany until the beginning of March when Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, 5 March.

Thank you for your generous donations allowing the purchase of robes for Penny and Owen. They are both now an essential part of St. Ninian's team of servers.



Should you feel that being a server, assisting the President at the Altar to celebrate the Eucharist, is a step you wish to explore, please come and talk to me or one of the serving team.

There is and always will be a place for you to become a server, the

door will always be open, just as Christ's door is always open to all.

Roger Robinson







approx £2,000 which will be divided between our chosen charities, River Garden, Water Aid, and the Church.

Above: Andrew Rocks enjoys his visit to Santa and opposite: Clara concentrates on making Christmas cards.

TENDING TO THE REMEMBRANCE GARDEN

After consideration by Vestry, it is hoped to gather together a team of volunteers to help tidy up the Garden of Remembrance which is located to the left of the Church door (facing the Church), running alongside the Church building. Any help with digging, pruning, tidying in general would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested or know anyone who could



possibly be, please pass your name to Julia or Debbie from Vestry. Once we have a list of names, we can organise a time convenient to all. This will of course commence when the weather improves and Spring is upon us! **Debbie Combe**

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - MIKE BOWLES

Mike received the Lifetime achievement award recently for his many years of involvement with Scottish swimming.

I've known Mike since we worked together as swimming teachers in the Galleon. He taught at the Galleon for many years & moved to teach in Ayr. He went on to coach the Junior Swim Team. He continued with the Junior team until he took over the Swim Team as coach. Teaching & coaching requires a lot more than just



standing on poolside. There is always class preparation for teachers & coaches. His time with the club involves club time trials, galas & club events & many hours spent preparing crib sheets etc.

Mike has dedicated many hours to coaching hundreds of young people the joy of swimming & he has witnessed many successes over the years. The most significant success was teaching a very young Duncan Scott at the Pool in Troon. Mike was interviewed by Catriona Renton for BBC when Duncan came to the pool after his first commonwealth success.

Mike is truly a most successful Unsung Hero & we as a parish are honoured to have him in our community.

Pamela

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - JANUARY 2025

Income & Expenditure Account Summary (excluding depreciation and changes in investment valuation) for the financial year 2024 - 25 – October 2024 to December 2024:

Total Income	£18,896
Total Expenditure	£29,290
Surplus/(Deficit)	(£10,394)



Total income exceeded expenditure resulting in a deficit of £10,394 (excluding depreciation and changes in investment valuation). In December, a donation of £1,000 was received from Hillhouse Trust additional funds were received. This is an annual donation received. The only significant restricted fund at 31 December 2024 was the Window/Building Fund; the value of which was £16,574

Bank Account Name: St Ninian's Church Vestry Sort Code: 82-68-21 Account Number: 20510140 Reference: OFFERING GIFT AID envelopes available Donations can also be made on our Just Giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/stninianschurch

or by cheque made out to: St Ninian's Church Vestry

Karen McPherson Bookkeeper

BOOK GROUP

The next meeting of the Book Group is on **Tuesday 11 February** from 2.30 - 4.00pm. The meeting will be at 5 Darley Crescent, Troon. The book we will be discussing is:

The Secrets of Blythswood Square by Sarah Sheridan. Emma

MEDITATION GROUP

The next meetings of the Meditation Group will be on **Monday 24 February** and **24 March** at 10.30am. All are very welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer for 2025 takes place on Friday 7 March and the service has been prepared by the ladies of the Cook Islands and the theme is 'I made you wonderful'.

The Troon service will take place at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption and St. Meddan at 2.00pm. All are welcome to this service.

NINIAN'S GARDEN

As the cold and frosty weather has made it difficult to do very much in the garden it is a time to stand back and reflect on what we have achieved this year.



All of our four raised beds were used growing a number of vegetables and fruits. The herbaceous borders were alive with colourful plants which attracted lots of insects. People sat in the sunshine after Sunday services admiring the newly created garden while drinking their tea and coffee. Surplus produce was available for the congregation to take home. The children who attended Story and Song took delight in digging up potatoes. In early autumn lots of spring bulbs were planted in the borders and at the edges of the raised beds.

We had already planted 15 saplings last autumn and recently another 50 + were planted. Apart from Rowan, Dog Rose and Hazel this has now been complimented with hawthorn and crab apple. These were planted in order to create a hedge between the church grounds and the flats so offering the residents some privacy.

Once the weather gets warmer we hope to build another planter. All of the planters will be topped up with new compost and seeds planted. A key safe will be positioned to give access to storage and tools. The water butt has yet to be connected. Taisir is in contact with Marr College with a view to students making some art work.

We have a lot to give God thanks for and so we hope more members of the congregation or community will either use parts of planters to grow their own food or help with general work in the garden.

Please talk to Anna Claar, Julia, Dorothy W. or Taisir if you would like to help in anyway. You would be very welcome. *Julia Izatt*





CREATIVE COMMUNITY GROUP

The Creative Community Group continues to meet on the first Saturday of the month. Our next sessions will be on **Saturday 1 February** and following that, on **Saturday 1 March** in the church hall from 10am - 12 noon.

In February I will be sharing with the group the history and making of Dorset buttons. Hopefully we will be able to produce a small brooch using this technique. If you would like to try this do come along. However if you would just like to come for a chat and a coffee we would be delighted to see you. We love to share our crafting ideas at this group and relax with friends old and new. Why not make it your new year's resolution to come and join us this year, you would be most welcome.







Items from the Show & Tell...

a beautiful quilt, a knitted cover
for a teacake and Christmas

photo frames sown at the

December meeting.

CLIVE DOWDALL DOWSON 12.09.47 – 14.11.24

Clive was born in Dublin, near to the famous Guinness Brewery, as the only child of Harry and Elizabeth Dowson. He attended St. Andrew's National School, and was a member of the 1ST Dublin Boys' Brigade for many years. He became a drummer in the band which led the annual Battalion parade through Dublin to a service in St. Patrick's Cathedral. He played football for the BB and continued playing as a past member. He continued his interest in the BB and eventually became a Captain when he moved to Bray, Co. Wicklow. Pamela was involved in the Girls' Brigade, and their lives were very involved in both organisations.

After school, Clive went to College, and then worked as a motor mechanic with Roadstone. After many years with them, he went to work with Parkers of Leicester. He met Pamela when the 1st BB were putting on Oklahoma, which needed some females. Romance blossomed and Pamela and Clive married in Monkstown Parish Church, on 18th March, 1972. Their first home in Tallaght, Co. Dublin They soon moved to Tallaght in Co. Dublin, where their first child, Russell, was born in 1976. They then moved to Bray, in Co. Wicklow, where their second child, Sandra, was born in 1979. The growing family moved to a larger house in Seacrest, Bray which had a wonderful view over Dublin Bay. Life there was very busy with work, family, BB and GB as well as activities in Bray parish, where Clive served as a Vestry member and Rector's Warden for many years. Parkers decided to relocate Clive to Scotland, and the family took the major decision to move across the Irish Sea in 1989.

They settled in Kilmarnock, first in a small bungalow, before soon moving to a larger house. This was also a very busy time, with Clive travelling a lot for work, as well as fundraising for the RNLI, and helping to set up the Credit Union in Kilmarnock. Always committed churchgoers, he and Pamela quickly became regular attenders of Holy Trinity, and he served on the Vestry. When Russell left home, it was decided that the family would 'downsize' closer to the sea, and their final move brought them to Queen's Drive just before Christmas 1999. Clive continued fund-raising for the RNLI, and became Treasurer for the Lifeboat.

They joined St. Ninian's, where he again became a Vestry member, and also David Mungavin's Rector's Warden, and Clive was

made redundant, but he was always successful in finding work until his retirement. He started attending the Wednesday morning service as well, and was fondly thought of by those attending that service as he would greet them from the bench outside the door. He took great delight in his expanding family, with four grandchildren in America, and two in Paisley.

Unfortunately, his health started to deteriorate, and his mobility decreased. He was admitted to hospital, after a fall at home, where, despite excellent care, he died. The family are grateful for the amazing compassion shown to them all by the staff.

Pamela is greatly comforted by the funeral service for Clive and the support shown by their friends at it, and by the many cards and letters sent.

Clive was a man who loved his family, his friends and his God, and he served them all faithfully. May he rest in Peace and rise in Glory.

EDITH HANORA BRIGHT DUGUID COOPER 24.07.34 – 29.12.23

Edith's family and a small group of St. Ninian's members met at Ayr Crematorium on Friday the 10th of January to remember, and give thanks for a life very well lived. She was the third child, and second daughter of Mary and Alexander Duguid, and grew up in a small tenement flat in Govan. She had a very happy childhood with her big brother, Alex, and sister Mary, despite the looming threat of war. She was not particularly academic, but she was a lovely singer, and a natural performer.

She was a regular attender at her local church, and when it was closed down, she travelled to the Good Shepherd in Hillington, and continued as a regular member there. When she left school, she went to work at John Menzies, and her spare time was taken up with going to the theatre or cinema, playing badminton, at which she excelled, and, this being Glasgow, going dancing, mainly at the Barrowland. She met John at 'the dancing' whom she married in the late 1950's, and eventually they were delighted to welcome into the world, their son, John. He was, and remained the apple of Edith's eye, and he was much loved and cared for. They were able to holiday regularly, mainly in the north of England. They also went often to stay with an aunt and uncle in Billingham.

They moved out to Cumbernauld, and Edith went back out to work to help raise John, who did well at school, and subsequently became the first in the family to go to university. Edith was devoted to family life, and was delighted when John married and Edith eventually became a granny with the arrival of Anna, who was born in Edinburgh, not long after Edith and John had moved to Troon. Sadly John developed cancer, but, like Edith he remained staunchly positive as he underwent his treatment. He was always full of praise for the drivers who took him up to the Beatson, particularly one who would drive him back home all sort of different ways to let him see some of the local area, when he heard that they had only recently moved to Troon. Sadly, John died in 1998, but Edith coped with her usual strength and resilience.

She had a great social circle in Troon and at St. Ninian's. She walked with the OIR group, was accomplished at the Line Dancing class with her friends, and was a regular fixture in the kitchen at our Christmas Fair, where she and her friends coped with all the washing up, usually accompanied by gales of laughter.

She remained very close to her granddaughter, and was so delighted when she too showed a talent for, and enjoyment of, singing. She was as proud of Anna's achievements, as she had been of her son John's. She was a faithful member of St Ninian's, often attending with her sister, Mary, and latterly was very grateful for all the benches placed regularly along the prom, for occasional rests, as she continued to walk to church, before having a lift with Linda and Nigel. Even in Belhaven she loved to take part in the services and to receive her communion.

She was a very faithful soul, and will be much missed by her family and friends. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Sound Streaming		2 March	J. Deason & R. Keene
2 Feb	J. Deason & A. Milne	5 9 March	J. & I. Stack
9 Feb	R. Keene & J. Stack	16 March	A. Milne & R. Keene
16 Feb	J. Stack & A. Milne	23 March	R. Keene & J. Deason
23 Feb	A. Milne	30 March	

SUNDAY SERVICES

Please note that on the first Sunday of the month we shall innovate within the service. On the fifth Sunday we join another local Scottish Episcopal Congregation and share in their worship.

FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday 2 February The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

Malachi 3: 1 - 4 (778), Luke 2: 22 - 40

Wednesday 5 February

Sunday 9 February Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 6: 1 - 8 (553), Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15: 1 - 11 (935),

Luke 5: 1 - 11

Wednesday 12 February

Sunday 16 February Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Jeremiah 17: 5 - 10 (628), Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15: 12 - 20 (935),

Luke 6: 17 -26.

Wednesday 19 February

Sunday 23 February Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Genesis 45: 3 - 11 + 15 (37) Psalm 37: 1 - 12 + 41 - 42,

1 Corinthians 15: 35 - 38 + 42 - 50 (936), Luke 6: 27 - 38.

Wednesday 26 February

MARCH 2025

Sunday 2 March The Transfiguration of the Lord

Exodus 34: 29 - 35 + 13 - 14 (71), Luke 9: 28 - 36.

Wednesday 5 March Ash Wednesday

Sunday 9 March First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26: 1 - 11 (158), Psalm 91: 1 - 2 + 9 - 16,

Romans 10: 8b - 13 (921), Luke 4: 1 - 13.

Wednesday 12 March

Sunday 16 March Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15: 1 - 12 + 17 - 18 (10), Psalm 27, Philippians 3: 17 - 4: 1 (955),

Luke 13: 31 - 35

Wednesday 19 March

Sunday 23 March Third Sunday of Lent

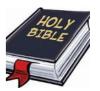
Isaiah 55: 1 - 9 (598), Psalm 63: 1 - 8, 1 Corinthians 10: 1 - 13 (931),

Luke 13: 1 - 9

Wednesday 26 March

Sunday 30 March Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday

As this is a *fifth Sunday*, St Ninian's Troon will be invited as a congregation to worship at St Ninian's Prestwick. Please follow the pew leaflet for further details.



ROTAS FOR February & March 2025

DATE	TIME	WELCOMERS	OFFERING COUNTERS	READER (R) INTERCESSOR (I)
2 Feb	10.30am	L. Rayner & C. Milne	J. Cassidy & M. O'Leary	J. Izzat (R) D. Ferguson (I)
9 Feb	10.30am	E. Wilson & G. Wilson	J. Stack & M. O'Leary	G. Wilson (R) AC. Thomasson- Rosingh (I)
16 Feb	10.30am	J. Keene & I. Stack	J. Stack & D. Ferguson	D. Ferguson (R) E. Wilson (I)
23 Feb	10.30am	S. Henderson & D. Wilson	J. Cassidy & C. Milne	E. Wilson (R) C. Phillips (I)
2 March	10.30am	E. Wilson & P. Dowson	J. Stack & G. Wilson	J. Deason (R) AC. Thomasson- Rosingh (I)
9 March	10.30am	J. Keene & M. Lamont	J. Cassidy & M. O'Leary	P. Dowson (R) S. Henderson (I)
16 March	10.30am	C. Milne & Family	J. Stack & D. Ferguson	L. Milne (R) E. Wilson (I)
23 March	10.30am	J. Cassidy & E. Cassidy	J. Cassidy & M. O'Leary	J. Deason (R) D. Ferguson (I)
30 March	10.30am	TBC		

	COFFEE ROTA
2 Feb	G. & E. Wilson
9 Feb	J. Keene & M. Lamont
16 Feb	P. Dowson & E. Wilson
23 Feb	H. Henderson & J. Greenwood
2 March	S. Henderson & D. Wilson
9 March	G. & E. Wilson
16 March	R. & J. Keene
23 March	A. & N. Livingstone
30 March	TBC

Responsible Person in **BOLD** (for Health & Safety issues only)

WEDNESDAY	WELCOMING ROTA
5 February	D. Combe
12 February	L. Rayner
19 February	N. Rayner
26 February	D. Ferguson
5 March	R. Robertson
12 March	S. Henderson
19 March	L. Rayner
26 March	D. Combe