

SAINT NINIAN'S SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TROON
Sunday 2 February 2025
Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)
President & Preacher: Rev Keith Thomasson

You are very welcome to St Ninian's Troon today for the **The Presentation of the Lord** (Candlemas). Worship is led by Keith our Rector and Dorothy our Lay Worship Leader. Please prepare for worship now in silence and in 'the beauty of holiness'.

In the Autumn of 2024, the Vestry unanimously approved the opportunity to innovate in worship one Sunday each month. This began gently. Today we move up to second gear. You will be signposted throughout the service as to what is coming next, yet the order below should assist. Rest assured; we are worshipping in full accord with the 2022 Scottish Liturgy of the Scottish Episcopal Church. During refreshments in the hall, which will be served following worship, you are invited to participate in a feedback circle so we can learn how to do things even better.

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 SUNDAY 2 FEBRUARY

Sunday **Ayrshire Regional Council Event at Holy Trinity**
5.00pm **Ayr (see page 3)**

Monday
10.00am Morning Prayer with global music
7.30 pm Troon Churches Together AGM (see page 3)

Tuesday
7.30pm Fellowship (see page 3)

Wednesday
10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday
10.00am Story & Song
7.30pm Plainsong Compline

Sunday 9 February **Epiphany 5**
Sung Eucharist with hymns

Anna's Song: Hearing the voices of the excluded

The Service of the Word

Welcome and Introduction (1)

Hymn 113 When candles are lighted vv 1 - 6 & 13

The Peace (2)

The Gloria (St Helen's Service) (7)

The Collect (8)

O God, through our human frailty, we cannot stand firm: give us strength and protection, that, with your help, we may overcome all difficulties; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end, Amen

First Reading (9)

Hebrew Scripture Malachi 3: 1 - 4 (778)

Hymn 373 Purify my heart,

The Gospel (12)

Gospel Luke 2: 22 - 40

Exposition of the Word (13). Following a brief exposition of the text, you will be invited to imaginatively recreate Anna's Song.

Intercessions (15) during which we chant

'Veni Sancte Spiritus' (Come, Holy Spirit)

Introduction to Confession (16) and Absolution.

The Sacrament

Hymn 667 I danced in the morning

In a world where people walk in darkness. We respond with generosity to God's love for us with our financial gifts.

Eucharistic Prayer IV (p 17)

Sanctus and Benedictus (St Helen's Service)

Sentence (24), Lord's Prayer (25)

Hymn 721 Love Divine, all loves excelling,

Organ music, altar party and choir to West Door and Dismissal (27)

Anna's Song

Jottings/Ideas

Draft song

AYRSHIRE REGION COUNCIL EVENT

At **5.00pm on Sunday 2 February (today)** come and watch a special episode of **The Chosen** at Holy Trinity Ayr church hall over a cup of tea and then attend choral evensong in the church at 6.00pm. Keith is going and will have available spaces in his car.

TROON CHURCHES TOGETHER

Troon Churches Together AGM is on **Monday 3 February at 7.30pm**. This is open to all. Julia and Diane are the Vestry Reps. There will be elections for a secretary and treasurer. It is an exciting time for shared witness, worship, and mission following the arrivals of Fr Willie Boyd and Pastor Ryan. It takes place in St Meddan's Halls, BEAULY Hall, (turn right as you enter by Halls entrance in Church Street).

FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting of the Fellowship is on **Tuesday 4 February** when Linda will be giving an illustrated talk about a visit to Nova Scotia & Newfoundland at 7.30pm in the church hall. All are welcome.

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.

ORGANIST

Greg, one of our organists, is moving to live down South. There will be a retiring collection on **Sunday 9 & 16 February** to give members of the congregation an opportunity to thank Greg for his contributions to our worship.

CHURCH CLEANING

A small group of volunteers have been regularly cleaning the Church. A WhatsApp Group has now been set up to organise the cleans. If you would like to help out and can spare just one hour of your time, even once in a while, please contact Debbie from Vestry and she can add you to the Group so you know when the cleans are taking place.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 3 May is the provisional date for Canon Nick's ordination as bishop for Glasgow and Galloway.

SEASCAPE MONTHLY QUIZ

Copies of the monthly Quiz to support SeAScape are available on the Welcome Desk. The February quiz is called Natural Deposits, with the clues leading to the names of minerals, ores, rocks and gems found in nature.

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