

# **SAINT NINIAN'S SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TROON**

**Sunday 12 October 2025 Pentecost 18**

**President & Preacher: Rev. Canon Ken Stephens**

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

**This morning we welcome Rev. Canon Ken Stephens who will be preaching and presiding.**

## **Hymns at the Eucharist**

<b>Opening hymn</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>Now thank we all our God</b>
<b>Gospel hymn</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>Give thanks with a grateful heart.</b>
<b>Offertory hymn</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>Ye that know the lord is gracious (Tune 630)</b>
<b>Communion</b>		<b>Organ music</b>
<b>Final hymn</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>Glory to God, the source of all our mission;</b>

## **The Collect**

O Lord, since without you we cannot please you: let the work of your mercy in all things guide our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

**Amen.**

**Readings Year C**  
**Hebrew Scripture**  
**Psalms**

Pew Bible page in brackets  
**2 Kings 5: 1 - 3 + 7 - 15c (293)**  
**Psalms 111**

**Refrain:** The works of the Lord **stand fast for ever.**

**Epistle**  
**Gospel**

**2 Timothy 2: 8 - 15 (967)**  
**Luke 17: 11 - 19**

## **WHAT ABOUT MONEY**

Everything that happens at St Ninian's is dependent on the offerings and donations of everyone in the congregation.

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

***Please see the important notice about  
the Christmas Fair on the back page!***

## **THIS WEEK AT ST NINIAN'S - W/C SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER**

### **Monday**

10.00am Morning Prayer with global music

### **Wednesday**

10.00am Holy Communion

### **Thursday**

10.00am Story & Song

### **Sunday 19 Oct Pentecost 19**

10.30am Sung Eucharist

## **FORTHCOMING SERVICES**

**Sunday 30 November :** Joint service at Holy Trinity Kilmarnock 10.30am  
Advent Carol Service by candlelight 6.00pm

**Sunday 7 December :** AGM at 11.45

**Sunday 21 December :** Carol Service by candlelight 6.00pm

## **TRAIDCRAFT**

Today there will be a Traidcraft stall in the Hall following the Sung Eucharist.

## **CHURCH OPEN**

Thanks to some volunteers who have formed a rota, the church will now be open during the day on most Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for those who wish to spend some quiet time there. It will also be open following Morning Prayer on a Monday and until 8.30pm following services on a Thursday evening.

## **CELEBRATION OF LAY MINISTRIES**

There will be a celebration of Holy Eucharist with the renewal of the ministries of Lay Readers, Worship Leaders and Pastoral Assistants on **Saturday 1 November** at 11.00am at St Mary's Cathedral, 300 Great Western Road, Glasgow G4 9JB. The celebrant will be Bishop Nick. If you would like to go and support our members please let Keith know this morning.

## **FELLOWSHIP**

The next meeting of the Fellowship will be on **Tuesday 4 November**. When Joe and his fellow walkers will be giving an illustrated talk on their walk last May, entitled Churches of Norfolk.

**Tuesday 2 December :** The Beetle Drive

## **BOOK GROUP**

The next meeting of the Book Group is **Tuesday 21 October** at 2.30pm at 5 Darley Crescent Troon. The book we will be discussing is "There are Rivers in the Sky" by Elif Shafak

## **CHOIR OF ST JOHN'S EDINBURGH**

The superb choir of St John's Princes Street Edinburgh will sing Evensong on Saturday 25 October at 7.00pm and at the morning Eucharist on Sunday 26 October at 10.30 at St Ninian's Troon. Please save the dates and turn out, bringing your friends. Choir - St John's Choir Edinburgh

## **VOLUNTEERING AT CROSSHOUSE HOSPITAL**

Members of Holy Trinity Kilmarnock volunteer in the Tea Bar and shop at Crosshouse Hospital on the 4th Monday of every month. They are looking for more help within their team. So, if you could spare 3 hours once a month please speak to Linda or email Pat Smith (psmit251@gmail.com) in the first instance. Training would be given on both the coffee machine and till.

## **HELP WITH THE ROTAS**

Offers of help with Sunday rota duties, especially Coffee/Tea service and Streaming/Sound, would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Evelyn Wilson if you are able to help. Thank you.

## **SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER**

There will not be a service at St Ninian's Troon in the morning. Instead we are all warmly invited to join the service at Holy Trinity Kilmarnock which begins at 10.30am. Lifts can be arranged.

2 - 4 Portland Road, Kilmarnock KA1 2BS [Home - Holy Trinity, Kilmarnock](#)

## **CAROL SERVICES**

### **Sundays 30 November (Advent) and 21 December (Christmas)**

we will host our carol services of readings and music by candlelight at 6.00pm. Please join in and form the choir on these occasions. Let one of our musicians know of your interest. This opportunity is open to all.

## **AGM**

On **Sunday 7 December** we have our AGM at 11.45am following morning worship. We are looking for four people to join a flourishing and respectful Vestry team. Please begin to pray concerning the role God may be calling you and others to.

## **CHURCH HEATING**

Two people are sought by Vestry to oversee the timings when the heating comes on in the hall and church. Training will be given.

Initially this will be controlled from the Flower Vestry and in months to come by Hive from your armchair using an app.

## **CHURCH WALL REPAIRS**

Reminding you about our appeal for forty people to donate £40 each (where possible with gift aid) to cover the costs of the repair, many thanks to those who have donated already, but we are still several hundred pounds short of the total required, so those who have not done so are encouraged to make their donation.

## **MEMORIAL PATHWAY**

The Vestry would like to thank Alan Livingstone for all his work on the Memorial Pathway. As Alan wishes to relinquish this role, we are seeking a volunteer from the congregation to oversee this work. This is not an onerous task and only requires occasional action. If YOU could help, please speak to Keith or to a member of the Vestry.

## **SEASCAPE MONTHLY QUIZ**

Copies of the monthly Quiz to support SeAscape are available on the Welcome Desk. For the October Quiz the theme is music featured in films, some musicals, some title tracks and some simply turn up in a film.

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# CHRISTMAS FAIR 2025

**A REMINDER THAT THE CHRISTMAS FAIR TAKES PLACE ON  
SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER FROM 1.30 - 4.00pm**

The planning Committee have been meeting for several months developing plans for the Fair to hopefully make it bigger and better. The money raised will be divided equally between River Garden Auchincruive, Water Aid and St. Ninian's Church.

The Christmas Fair is our main fundraising event for our chosen Charities. We would really like to maximise the money we raise and so as last year have decided to open the fair to individuals from outside the church who could have a table/space for a moderate donation. The more stalls we have hopefully more money will be raised. We will use the church itself as well as the halls for the event. Please pray and think hard about whether you can help in any way. We want this year to be the best ever.

Various stall holders are looking for your support and boxes will be available at the back of the church for your donations to their stalls.

The Baking Stall are looking for donations of baking and please provide a list of the ingredients used so that we can observe Natasha's Law.

If you are unable to bring it please let someone know and they will arrange for it to be collected.

Mike O'Leary and John Deason are organising the Tombola and bottles of any kind will be gratefully received, including suitable bottle prizes for children.



Prize Draw tickets are now available, so please encourage your family and friends to buy some. If you would like more tickets please speak to any member of the committee.

Good quality paperbacks and also jigsaws, but please hold onto these and hand them in nearer the time.

Mike & Karen Boles will have a box out at the back of the church for donations of prizes for the Prize Draw.

**Committee:** Keith Thomasson, Robert & Janet Keene, Linda Rayner, Dorothy Wilson & Evelyn Wilson