

SAINT NINIAN'S SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TROON
Sunday 22 February 2026 First Sunday of Lent
President & Preacher: Rev. Keith Thomasson

Seeking heaven on earth

Becoming a family rooted in Christ and welcoming to all.
Shaped by an inclusive spirituality, kindness, sustainability, and music for all.

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 or 'st ninian's troon' on You Tube.

HYMNS AT THE EUCHARIST

Opening hymn	121	Forty days and forty nights (vv1, 2 & 6)
Gradual hymn		God loves us in mysterious ways (see overleaf)
Offertory hymn	464	Sweet sacrament divine,
Communion		Organ Music
Final hymn	588	And can it be that I should gain

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet did not sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that, as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through the same 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 A **Pew Bible page in brackets**

Hebrew Scripture	Genesis 2: 15 - 17 + 3: 1 - 7 (2)
Psalm	Psalm 32
	Refrain: I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
Epistle	Romans 5: 12 - 19 (917)
Gospel	Matthew 4: 1 - 11

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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

**Source of new hymns:
Songs for the Holy Other (2019) - The Hymn Society**

Tune: Dundee number 52 in the hymn book.

God loves us in mysterious ways
Beyond all sin and shame
Rich blessings for our weary days
As love dares speak its name

More light and truth have yet to break
From God's eternal Word
Sure hearted and with hope we take
New leaps of faith unblurred

We take a chance on God and fall
To higher depths of love
In faith and flesh we heed God's call
To open doors above

Bind up the wounds of shun and stray
For prodigals new found
And set us on our homeward way
Unbullied and unbound

'Come forth!' from deep confining tombs
Of gender, class and race
Engendered here: wide open rooms
That offer pride of place

A place where friends are swell and true
And lives and loves increased
Till all who come are welcomed to
The Lamb's own marriage feast.

THIS WEEK AT ST NINIAN'S - W/C SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Monday

- 10.00am Morning Prayer with music from the global church
and discussion of the readings.
- 10.30am Meditation Group

Wednesday

- 10.00am Holy Communion (Scottish Prayer Book) with a
discussion of the readings.

Thursday

- 10.00am Story & Song (for all those of a pre school age with
their carer)
- 7.30pm Eucharist with prayers and anointing for healing.

Saturday

- 3.30pm Organ Recital given by Frikki Walker (see overleaf)

Sunday 1 March Second Sunday of Lent

- 9.30am Holy Communion in the church
- 10.30am Eucharist in the hall with music
- 12.00 for Vestry Meeting Theme : Property
- 12.15pm

PATTERN OF WORSHIP DURING MARCH 2026

Sundays (1, 8, 15, 22).

- 09.30 Holy Communion in church
- 10.30 Eucharist in Hall with music

Palm Sunday 29 March (arrangements tbc)



NOTICES

TRAIDCRAFT

There will be Traidcraft Easter cards on sale in the Hall following this morning's service.

BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL

The Bishop's Lent Appeal is for Daisy, a charity based in Glasgow supporting Women and Children to Heal from Domestic Abuse. Full details about the charity can be found at :

www.glasgow.anglican.org/bishops-lent-appeal-2026-the-daisy-project/ and details about the charity and donating can be found on the supplementary leaflet and the Diocesan website page.

MEDITATION GROUP

The next meeting of the Meditation Group is tomorrow, **Monday 23 February** at 10.30am in the church.

ORGAN RECITAL – SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Come and hear the fabulous Frikki Walker (Director of Music at St Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow) at 3.30pm here at St Ninian's on **Saturday 28 February**, for an interactive musical extravaganza! There will be a retiring collection for St. Mary's Cathedral Organ Fund.

FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting is on **Tuesday 3 March** at 7.30pm when we will have a speaker from Refuweegee, which was the Bishop's Lent Appeal last year. All are welcome to this meeting.

Anyone interested in an Inter Church Quiz organised by St Anne's Guild at Our Lady of the Assumption and St Meddan at 2pm on **Tuesday 3 March** please let Linda know by today.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026

The World Day of Prayer Service for 2026 will take place at St Ninian's at 11.00am on **Friday 6 March** followed by refreshments in the Hall. This year's service is entitled 'I will give you rest: - Come' and prepared by the ladies of Nigeria.

MEMORIAL GARDEN UPKEEP

On **Saturday 14 March** between 10am and 12 noon we will continue working on the upkeep of the memorial garden and rose beds. There is lots of weeding and edging to do and general tidying. It would be great if as many people as possible could come and help. Please bring your own tools if you prefer. Refreshments will be provided in the hall. There will be a list to sign on the welcome desk. Thank you. Julia & Debbie.

SEASCAPE MONTHLY QUIZ

Copies of the monthly Quiz to support SeAscape are available on the Welcome Desk. The February Quiz is called 'Let's Play' with the clues leading to the names of board games, card games, dice games and parlour games.

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