

Diocese of Brechin: News Bulletin

26th January 2023

Pisky, Grant Wilson, Scoops Top Prize in ITV's 'Tipping Point' Quiz Show

Grant Wilson, a member and the treasurer of the Church of the Holy Rood Carnoustie won the £10,000 prize in the ITV Quiz Show 'Tipping Point'. As reported in the Courier, <https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/news/angus-mearns/4076164/carnoustie-man-wins-tipping-point/>, Grant's excellent general knowledge and cool head under pressure led him to his outstanding win, as reported also in the national media. Congratulations to Grant from all in the Diocese!



Grant (right) after his wonderful winning performance
(Image Grant Wilson, accessed from Courier website)

Diocese of Swaziland Youth Conference

Hundreds of young people have gathered to praise and worship together at St. Michael's, Manzini for the Diocese of Swaziland's Youth Conference 2023 in our Companion Diocese in Southern Africa. The residential conference took place over two days. The video link [here](#) gives a good feel of the nightly worship.



Lively worship led at the Youth Conference

(Image: Diocese of Swailand)

Sheriff Sandy Wilkinson RIP

Sheriff Sandy Wilkinson KC, once the Chancellor of the Diocese of Brechin, has recently died. In retirement, Sandy also acted as one of the Trustees of the Scottish Episcopal Church, until 2021. His notice is here: <https://www.eastlothiancourier.com/memorials/death-notices/death/30521861.alexander-wilkinson/>

From the notice: There will be a family cremation followed by service of thanksgiving at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Palmerston Place, Edinburgh on Friday 10 February 2023 at 12 noon to which all his family and friends are invited. Family flowers only and donations, if desired, to RNID.

Refresh! Lent and Easter: Saturday 4 February at St Ninian's, Dundee 10am – 12.30pm

Following the success of the Christmas workshop, Claire, the Children and Youth Officer will lead an interactive workshop full of new things to try for Lent and Easter, including all-age Ash Wednesday and Good Friday activities. All clergy, lay readers, lay leaders and volunteers are welcome. Please email Claire to let her know you're coming: youth@brechin.anglican.org

Hymnathon Fundaiser at All Saint's Glencarse, 24 and 25 February 2023

All Saint's Glencarse will be filled with music from every season of the year as Ven Canon Ian Young plays his way through every single hymn in their hymn book to raise funds for the rebuilding of a small church primary school in Eswatini, recently destroyed in an arson attack. Please support this excellent project to help the Diocese of Swaziland. You are very welcome to come to Glencarse and join Ian on the days he will be playing—sing a verse or two of the hymns, or you can support the project by giving directly to the appeal.

Donations can be sent through a crowdfunding page set up on JustGiving.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/swazilandhymnathon>

Music Events & Services in February

Candlemas Sung Mass with High School of Dundee Choir at St Salvador's Dundee: 2 Feb at 7pm

The High School of Dundee Cantabile Choir will sing William Byrd's Ave Verum Corpus as part of the Sung Mass for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in St Salvador's in the Hilltown. Come and celebrate Candlemas in this beautiful church setting. Refreshments will be served after the service.

St Mary Magdalene's Church Dundee Wednesday Concert: 8 Feb

Music at St Mary Magdalene's continues at 12.30pm on the second Wednesday of each month. On 8th February the Carnoustie Traditionals will perform Scottish music. Concerts last approximately 30 minutes and tea and coffee are available.

Friday Lunchtime Concert Series at St Pauls Cathedral Dundee: 10 Feb

St. Paul's Friday lunchtime concerts return on Friday 10th February at 1.00pm, with pianist Christopher Baxter playing a programme which will include music by Beethoven, Werlé and Chopin. Afterwards the concert stick around for tea, coffee and cake and a chance to meet the performers. Tickets are £5 for adults or £3 for students.

Friends of St. Paul's Cathedral present a concert with Sheena Wellington, Bruce Davies and Friends: 11 Feb

On Saturday 11th February from 3 to 5pm, St. Pauls Cathedral will host an afternoon concert. Sheena Wellington and Bruce Davies will be joined by Dawn Wood, Andy Jackson, the Wighton Singers and the Tayside Young Fiddlers. Tickets will cost £12 (£10 for members).

Youth Activities in the Diocese

This weekend: Burns Night Special: Provincial Youth Event 28th & 29th January 2023, Montrose

St Mary and St Peter's Church, Montrose is hosting fun activities, games and food with a Burns Night theme, for teenagers (S1-S6) in the Scottish Episcopal Church and their friends! This is an overnight sleepover event on **28-29 January**, with the option to attend for Saturday only. £5 per person – snacks,

dinner and breakfast included. Details and booking here: <https://tinyurl.com/YouthBurnsNight> or contact Claire youth@brechin.anglican.org

Companionship Diocese Youth Pilgrimage to the USA: August 2023

The third leg of the Youth Pilgrimage with our companion dioceses in the USA and southern Africa is coming closer. Previous pilgrims from Scotland and Iowa travelled to the Diocese of Swaziland in Eswatini in 2014, then Americans and Africans came to be hosted in Dundee for the second leg in 2016. In August 2023, young pilgrims will be travelling from the Dioceses of Brechin and Swaziland to Iowa, where we will be hosted by Bishop Betsey and her team. Is there a young person (aged 18-25) connected to your church who would like to be a pilgrim? Further information will be shared and a flyer can be found [here](#). Anyone who is interested in taking part should contact Claire Benton-Evans: youth@brechin.anglican.org.

Change to the Canon for the Election of Bishops in the SEC: Drop-in

A major canonical revision to be considered at Diocesan Synod this year is a proposed change to Canon 4, the process for electing bishops in the Scottish Episcopal Church. This changed process is proposed to help ensure that dioceses choose their bishops in a confidential and effective way. There will be a Zoom 'drop-in' to hear about the proposed changes on Feb 19th at 3pm (details and link to follow).

Cost of Living Crisis: Info and Projects

The Cost of Living crisis continues, so we have placed information and resources to help with living costs on a new page on the Diocesan website. The page can be found here: Cost of Living Crisis page [here](#).



Any news to share in the Bulletin?

If you have upcoming events of interest to the whole diocese and stories and photos of events around the diocese, we would love to share these in the bulletin. Email Elliott Scarfe in the office on office@brechin.anglican.org