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SEEING THINGS IN A NEW LIGHT

We are now half way through Lent and Holy Week beckons us on in our observance. Jesus' conflicts with the religious and political authorities of his day have a certain contemporary resonance, given all that is going on around the world. Violence, turbulence and uncertainty. Some people may be powerful or making easy money but they usually come with some health warnings about corruption and exploitation.

Never has it been more true that there is no real gain without some pain. The disciples thought that Jesus' trial and crucifixion marked a dead end – literally. How wrong they were. In his poem *The Killing*, the poet Edwin Muir ask the question: 'Did a God indeed in dying cross my life that day by chance, he on his road and I on mine?' The tomb draws us into its dark circumspection – emptiness and angels. The Resurrection experiences the same landscape in a new light and old certainties are upturned.

As Diocesan Synod shows, our diocese faces some discomfort and nettles need to be grasped. The reinvention of mission and ministry in our local charges and the shared use of our resources now need to become ever more radical. So no gain without some pain. Nevertheless we can also take comfort that it is not managerialism that will affect lasting change but the Resurrection which transforms our lives from glory to glory.

I wish you all a happy and blessed Easter.

Saturday, 5 March 2016

Brechin Diocesan Synod

Chalmers Ardler Church, Turnberry Avenue, Dundee

Worship commences at 9.30am prompt

All welcome

**The Reverend Peter Mead
will be Instituted as
Rector of St Mary the Virgin, Arbroath
and St Peter's, Auchmithie
Saturday, 12 March 2016 at 3pm
at St Mary the Virgin, Arbroath
All are welcome.**

**The Reverend William Neill
Assistant Curate
at St Mary's Broughty Ferry
is to be Ordained Priest
by Bishop Nigel
Saturday 19 March at 3pm
at St Mary's, Broughty Ferry.
All are welcome.**



Calling all 18 to 35 years olds

B.I.S is an interactive Facebook page that will allow young adults from Brechin, Iowa and Swaziland to build on the companionship, network together and hopefully create new and continue existing companion connections.

Facebook search B.I.S

<https://m.facebook.com/BIS-1693588610857446/>

Any enquiries to Fiona McDade f_mcdade@hotmail.co.uk

**St Ninian's Annual Quiz Night
Friday, 4 March 2016**

Tickets £4 children £2
Stovies and a drink included.
Teams of 4 please.
All welcome to this fun night.

Tayside Organists' Society

Present

**Organ Recital
by
Tom Wilkinson**

Tuesday, 8 March 2016 at 7.30pm
St Mary Magdalene's Church
Dudhope Crescent Road, Dundee
Refreshments will be provided.
Retiring collection.

**Holy Rood, Carnoustie
Coffee Morning & Book Stall**

**Saturday, 5 March 2016
10.00am—11.30am**

A Faithful Future?

Our Christian Faith in the World Today

**Bishop Nigel's
Midweek Evening Lent Talk
Holy Trinity Church, Monifieth
9 March 2016 at 7.30pm**

Bishop Nigel will share his thoughts on the challenges to the Christian faith amidst the turbulence and uncertainties of the world around us.
There will be a talk, questions, discussions and refreshments.

**St Paul's Cathedral Lunchtime Concerts
Saturdays at 1pm**

5 March 2016

SHEENA WELLINGTON : SINGER & SONGWRITER

19 March 2016

VICTORIA STEVENS : SOPRANO

MARCUS KITCHEN : TENOR

TIMOTHY EDMUNDSON : BARITONE

WALTER BLAIR : PIANO

Tickets available at the door.

£5: Adults

£3: Children

Free: Accompanied school children

Coffee/tea served after each concert

St Margaret's Coffee Afternoon

Saturday, 12 March 2016 2pm-4pm
Tombola, cake and candy, crafts
and prize draw.
Admission £1.00

St Mary Magdalene Coffee Morning

Saturday, 19 March 10-12noon
Admission £1 to include
tea/coffee plus scones with jam and cream
Stalls to include gifts, cake & candy,
preserves, tombola, prize draw, NU to U,
books and pancakes.
All Welcome