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Ascension Day Services

Thursday, 5 May 2016 at 7.30pm

followed by refreshments

St Andrew's, Brechin

Led by The Rt Rev Dr Nigel Peyton
Bishop of Brechin

Preacher the Rev Roderick Grahame
Minister of Brechin Cathedral

St John the Baptist, Dundee

Led by The Very Rev Dr Francis Bridger
Dean of the Diocese of Brechin

Preacher The Rev Kerry Dixon
Dundee Centre of Mission

Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery

After attending a seminar on Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery run by the Presbytery of Dundee, Canon Fay Lamont has been asked if she would run something similar in the North of the Diocese. The aim of such another seminar would be to give confidence to talk about the issue and what to do about it. It begins with the international scene then the national & local scene. Representatives attended from Police Scotland as well as information stands from various organisations already involved. Some of the main points are listed below.

Slavery remains a vast problem today. It has been called the open sore of the world. Traffickers go to the places where legislation is weakest. It is the second most lucrative criminal trade. 35.5 million slaves worldwide and increasing - 70% female 35% children with 10,000 migrant children unaccounted for in Europe with 13000 victims in UK which is an under estimate. Criminalisation for purchase of sex a reality in many other countries including Northern Ireland. Trafficking = slavery. Examples of slavery were given personally and by video e.g.:- metals in mobile phones mined by slaves in Congo; cannabis farms in UK; Fishing in Lake Volta and in the North Sea.

Major campaigner for tighter enforcement - International Justice Mission www.ijm.org and another useful website is www.anti-slavery.org

Featured Projects seeking to address the issues.

Seema project in India attempts to rescue those forced into prostitution and their children.

Aim for transparency in supply chain in food and clothing necessary.

Training of professionals such as doctors, nurses and police key to stopping and detecting.

Raise awareness by talking and looking.

Pray for victims.

Helplines are available including a small but very active police unit for Scotland.

If you would like to attend such a seminar, held over a 2 hour period could you please let Fay know on 01382-453818/07931222092 or email flamont53@sky.com

Holy Rood, Carnoustie

Coffee Morning & Book Stall

Saturday, 7 May 2016

10.00am—11.30am



St Andrew's, Brechin Easter Sunday Breakfast

Scottish Episcopal Church Mission Association (SECMA)

Musical Afternoon

Thursday, 19 May from 2-4pm

Holy Trinity Church Monifieth
Entertainment provided by ukelele group
Dee Ukes

Bring & Buy stall for SECMA funds.

Tea and biscuits.

Holy Rood Carnoustie

has recently installed a new heating system and provided new seating together with a path to the front of the Church that will enable disabled access. It will celebrate re-opening

on

Whit Sunday, 15 May 2016 at 10.30am
followed by lunch to which all are welcome.

St Martin Prize Bingo

Wednesday, 25 May 2016
at 1.30pm

Admission 50p

Includes refreshments and
free raffle



St Ternan's Muchalls Christening

May's Mission Spot

Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favouritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. (Acts: 10: 34)

In this time of elections, what can you do to maintain Scotland's reputation as a welcoming, compassionate and hospitable place?

St Mary and St Peter's to be at the MoFest Fringe

MoFest is Montrose's popular music festival, taking place this year on 27, 28 and 29 May. Over the course of the weekend over 200 musical performances ("gigs") will be taking place in around 25 different venues around the town. This year the big act is JOOLS HOLLAND & HIS RHYTHM AND BLUES ORCHESTRA, who will be performing on a specially built stage on the East Links: the income from this event subsidises MoFest, making the rest of the weekend free to the public.

MoFest is a very popular draw and the town will be extremely busy during the weekend of 28 and 29 May. In addition to all the indoor events, the centre of town will be closed off to traffic and a "big stage" and sound system will make the area extremely lively - and noisy! There will also be plenty of stalls and activities on the High Street.

St Mary and St Peter's church, on the Mid Links in Montrose, has applied to the MoFest organisers to be an official venue for the music festival. But as a contrast to the amplified music and high volume and bustle of the main gigs, they will be offering a "haven of tranquillity" with peaceful organ and choral music and somewhere for people overwhelmed by the clamour to retreat to.

The plan is for SM&SP to act as an alternative "fringe" venue on Saturday afternoon with a varied programme from about half one to five o'clock. Look for posters and details over the coming weeks. Tea, coffee and biscuits will also be served.

St Drostan's Lodge – Does your church want a "Free Weekend"?

St Drostan's Lodge is available **free of charge** for any church willing to carry out either a "Winter" or "Spring" cleaning weekend.

The winter cleaning weekend would be late November 2016 and the spring cleaning, late February 2017. There will be indoor and outdoor tasks appropriate to the season, including such joys as oven cleaning, wall washing, leaf sweeping and grounds maintenance, everything your congregation needs to bring it together for a bit of fun, relaxation and team building!!!

If you are interested, please phone or e mail: Rev Jane Nelson
01569 730967 or stdrostansbook@btinternet.com

The normal bookings for 2017 are now underway, **don't miss out**
Visit our website to see available dates and book - www.stdrostans.org