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Easter Greetings!

The Easter season is a glorious time in our tradition! The churches are filled with Alleluias and flowers after the sparse weeks of Lent. The lows and highs of Holy Week have taken us to the upper room as well as Gethsemane and Calvary – but ultimately leading us to the empty tomb and God's love and grace fulfilled in his Son and new life. We are now in a season of waiting for the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: but the white and gold colours of the season and the green of the new life in the world around us remind us of the new life that is promised to all, through Jesus.

The life of the Scottish Episcopal Church also moves on: we start to look to the General Synod in early June, when much business on canons, finance and governance is mixed with mission and new directions as well as being a vital time of fellowship and sharing between delegates from all over Scotland. The mixture of 'business' and 'fellowship' is so important in our life as Christian communities. In our own Diocese, we will continue to work at growing together in 'Clusters' to share ideas, food and plans for the future. This is already happening in the north: the east and city and west will follow. We continue to work to recruit clergy to vacant charges: working to make stable situations where this leadership can be supported and sustained. Montrose, Bervie and Brechin are still looking for a priest (please keep praying), and we are starting work in the far north of the diocese and looking at possibilities among the charges of Dundee City.

I am still, as a new bishop, doing many things for the first time: but I am delighted to be getting to know the people, communities and stories of the Diocese of Brechin. We have many challenges ahead of us, as we try to make changes, find new ways of being community, explore new ways that ministry and mission can be supported in Scotland in the 21st century. But the Easter season gives us hope: of new life, of confident, spirit-filled Christians, and a determination to let the world know that there is a gospel of love and redemption, a message of new life and hope in Jesus Christ.

Alteration to Proposed Young Adults Visit to Iowa Summer 2019

Alteration to Proposed Young Adults Visit to Iowa in Summer 2019 Due to difficulties in finding suitable dates this summer, Bishop Alan, Bishop Ellinah and Bishop Andrew have decided to defer the young adults' visit to Iowa until the summer of 2020 – provisional dates are from 6th to 16th August. This postponement will allow more time for establishing the detailed three-way diocesan arrangements and for fundraising in support of travel and programme costs. Please contact Pat Millar or Bishop Andrew if you would like more information or to express an interest in participating in this exciting visit. patricia.millar@btinternet.com

Diocese of Brechin – Chapter News

The Rev Canon Fay Lamont has been appointed as the next Dean of Brechin, following the Very Rev Dr Francis Bridger stepping down after six years in the role. Bishop Andrew said, "I am delighted that Fay has accepted the role of Dean. She brings a wealth of experience and knowledge of the diocese and of the Scottish Episcopal Church: she will help me, as a new bishop, navigate my early years in this diocese! Francis Bridger has been a great support as outgoing Dean and he remains a valued colleague, now focusing on work in St Mary's Broughty Ferry as they complete a major re-ordering and mission appraisal." Canon Lamont will remain as the incumbent of St Ninian's in mid-Craigie, Dundee.

At the Diocesan Synod in Dundee, the Rev Kenneth Gibson was elected the Synod Clerk for the Diocese of Brechin. Ken, currently serving as the incumbent for Holy Trinity Monifieth, has previously served on the Diocesan Mission Board as well as holding previous ministry posts in Brechin and Glasgow and Galloway Dioceses. Bishop Andrew said, "I am pleased to welcome Ken to the Brechin Chapter and look forward to working with him and all the Canons as we look at growing and building the life and ministry of the diocese." The post of Synod Clerk has been vacant since 2018 when the previous holder, the Rev Kirrillee Reid, moved to a post in Calais in the Diocese of Europe.

Fay and Ken will be installed as Canons of St Paul's Cathedral Dundee at a special evensong service, scheduled for 6.15pm on Sunday 2nd June 2019.

St Drostan's Day Picnic

&

Songs of Praise

Sunday 14th July

A date for your diary; Come along and join us for our annual picnic

(and try out our new picnic benches!), any time from Lunchtime on the

14th July

tea & coffee provided

The day will close with a "Songs of Praise" about 4pm. More information will be circulated nearer the date

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Bishop Andrew with Rev Kenneth Gibson (left) and Rev Canon Fay Lamont (Right)



**St Martin's Church ,
Dundee
Tea and B'lether**

**Saturday 18th May 2019
11.00am - 12.30pm**
Free entry with Donations Welcome

**All Souls, Invergowrie
Coffee Morning**

**Saturday 18th May 2019
10am - 12pm**
Raffle, home baking & craft stalls
All Welcome



**St James Church,
Stonhaven
Book Browse**

**Saturday 25th May 2019
10am—3pm**
Free entry and free tea & coffee
Books £1.00 each or 5 for £4.00
Over 2,500 books to choose from!

All Welcome



**St Martin's Church ,
Dundee
Prize Bingo**

**Wednesday 29th May 2019
Eyes down 1.30pm**
All Welcome

Stonhaven's Fein Market

**Saturday 1st June 2019
10am—4pm**
Come and visit our home craft stall.
Cakes, preserves, handknits, needlecraft,
plants.

All Welcome

**St James Church,
Stonhaven
Important Access
Information**

The White bridge leading from the town is closed and will be for the next year. Access to the church is via Arbuthnot Street or through the lane in Dunottar Avenue.

**St David's Inverbervie
car quiz/hunt**

Sunday 9th June
Starting at the Church in Victoria Terrace
2pm
Approx 2 to 2 1/2 hour,
£5 / car

Light refreshments to follow

**St Martin's Church ,
Dundee
Tea and B'lether**

**Saturday 15th June 2019
11.00am - 12.30pm**
Free entry with Donations

SECMA Fundraising Musical Afternoon

Holy Trinity Church,
Monifieth

22nd May 2019, 2 - 4pm

Entertainment will be Ukelele music
and sing along

There will be a 'Bring and Buy' stall and
refreshments will be served

All Welcome



Caird Hall Organ Concerts 2019

Wednesdays at 7.15pm

Leisure and Culture Dundee, supported by the Friends of the Caird Hall Organ, present a series of Wednesday evening concerts. Come along and enjoy four excitingly varied 'Town Hall' style programmes showing off the Caird Hall's fantastic Harrison and Harrison organ in all its glory!... from its gentle strings and lyrical flutes, to the mighty trumpets and trombones, it is truly 'The finest concert organ in Scotland!'

5 June Ed Jones -

Bradford Cathedral

10 July

Claire Innes-Hopkins -University of St Andrews

7 August

Richard Hills Concert

Organist - London

11 September

Stuart Muir - Dundee

City Organist & Eoin Tonner -

trumpet

Concerts will last approximately 1
hour, with the opportunity to

'meet the organist' in the café -bar
following the performance

Tickets £5, Friends £4, Students £3,
accompanied schoolchildren free

Dundee City Box Office Tel 01382
434940 - Telephone transaction fee £1

www.dundeebox.co.uk - Online
transaction fee £2

St Pauls Cathedral Concerts

**Saturday Lunchtime
Concerts at 1.00 pm**

Saturday 11th May

David Mowle - piano

Saturday 25th May

Barbara Geller - violin & David Mowle -
piano

Saturday 12th June

The Cathedral Choral Scholars - a
concert of vocal and instrumental
music

Saturday 22nd June

Morgan Szymanski - guitar

Also

Saturday 4th May at 7.30 pm

Dundee Chamber Orchestra

A concert in aid of Medical Aid for Pal-
estinians

Music by Mozart, Fauré, Dvorak, Bee-
thoven and Sibelius

Tickets available at the door

5th Glencarse Games

The 5th Glencarse Games, the biennial fundraising event organised entirely by members of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Glencarse, will be held on Sunday, 25th August this year at its usual venue at Inchyra House, Glencarse. This year's funds will be going toward both the renewal of the church's heating system and to Tayside Children with Cancer and Leukemia (TCCL.)

The Games, which alternate on a yearly basis with the Glen of Rait Games and which feature innovative events held in a laid-back, friendly atmosphere, have proved immensely popular with both the communities on the Carse of Gowrie and with families from further afield. The Games run from 12pm - 5pm, and a warm welcome would certainly be extended to any individual or family from other charges in the Diocese of Brechin who might wish to attend.

More information regarding prices and timetable of events will be posted on www.allsaintsglencarse.org in due course.



**Hotly contesting for the Stewarts
of Tayside Tug o' War Cup**



**The Carse of Gowrie Pipe band leads
the Chieftain's Parade**

Christian Aid Lunch St Mary & St Peter's Church, Montrose

**Sunday 19th May 2019
12.30pm**

Pimms, buffet and desserts

If you would like to attend or provide a savoury or dessert please contact:
Victoria Galey 01674 830037 or Nancy Scott 01674 671208

All monies raised will go to Christian Aid.
Envelopes will be available to gift aid your donation.

All Welcome

Iowa and Brechin Companionship: Small Church Celebration

In April we had a 'virtual' meeting of 'small' churches in Iowa and Dundee via technology! Small churches are defined (in the Diocese of Iowa) as have roughly 25 or fewer people attending on a Sunday morning. Matching time differences was tricky, but in mid morning (Iowa) and late afternoon (Scotland) we managed to meet online. We had two hours of worship (we even sang together), sharing stories and celebrations between our smaller Dundee City Episcopal and 'North-Western' quadrant communities! 'Zoom' <https://zoom.us/> was the tech - which worked very well to connect transatlantic friends!



The Brechin delegates hear from Iowa churches about all they have to celebrate!

A screen shot of the meetings in Emmetsburgh, Iowa, and Dundee. Thousands of miles apart and very different: but similar in so many ways



**St Martin's Church ,
Dundee
Prize Bingo**

Wednesday 26th June 2019

Eyes down 1.30pm

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**St Martin's Church ,
Dundee
Tea and Blether**

**Saturday 20th July 2019
11.00am - 12.30pm**

Free entry with Donations

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