



# Brechin Bulletin

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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 21<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Blether**

**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 Blether**

**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](http://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](http://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**

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