

APRIL 2023



DIOCESE OF ST ANDREWS
DUNKELD AND DUNBLANE

Chapter Verse &



Chrism Mass at St Ninians cathedral

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HAVE YOUR SAY

*"We are always looking to share information within our Diocese, if you have anything that you wish to add to the next Chapter and Verse please do email:
media@standrews.anglican.org*

THE ANGEL SAID TO THE WOMEN, "DO NOT BE AFRAID; I KNOW THAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED. HE IS NOT HERE; FOR HE HAS BEEN RAISED, AS HE SAID. COME, SEE THE PLACE WHERE HE LAY."
(MATTHEW 28:5-6)

The Chaplain invites
the Clergy of the Diocese
to the Installation
by the Most Reverend the Primus of the Scottish
Episcopal Church
of M D Mortimer MBA, BA (Hons), PGCE as
Warden
in the Chapel of the Holy & Undivided Trinity
at Glenalmond College
on Sunday 23rd April 2023 at 6.00p.m.
followed by a drinks reception in Hall.
Preacher ~ The Bishop of St Andrews, Dunkeld
& Dunblane
Surplice, hood & scarf
RSVP stephengraham@glenalmondcollege.co.uk

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DIOCESAN SYNOD 2023

BISHOP IAN GAVE HIS CHARGE TO SYNOD IN TWO PARTS, THE FIRST IN THE MORNING AND THE SECOND IN THE AFTERNOON.

'I am the vine,' says Jesus. 'You are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit.'

'I am sometimes asked questions like, "Does the Church have a future?" The question disturbs me, but my main feeling about it is that it is the wrong question. The real question seems to me more like, "Does the future have a Church? And what will it be like?" For me, it's a better question because although I don't know the answer, I trust in a God who does.'

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Or watch the videos of both parts and other addresses during Synod.

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Report on Synod 2023

IT WAS AN EARLY START WITH THE DAY BEGINNING AT 9AM FOR REGISTRATION AND COFFEE. A MAD FLURRY OF ACTIVITY AND JUST ENOUGH TIME TO CATCH OUR BREATH AND THEN INTO THE CATHEDRAL TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST. THE SYNOD EUCHARIST IS ALWAYS A SPECIAL SERVICE, BUT IT WAS MADE MORE SPECIAL BY THE MARKING OF THE INSTITUTION OF REVD NERY'S BROWN AS A CATHEDRAL CANON. THIS GAVE ANOTHER DIMENSION TO THE BEGINNING OF OUR SYNOD.

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CLIMATE CHANGE IN OUR DIOCESE



A MESSAGE FROM REVD. ELAINE GARMAN

“ A legacy from the Lambeth Conference 2022 has been the forming of the ‘Communion Forest’. Among other things they wish to promote, is the planting of trees. They have a session on Thursday April 27, 2023 at 8am and replicated at 4pm on the same day entitled Growing Trees to Celebrate Special Occasions as a practice of ‘weaving creation care in our lives of faith’. It is a practical way of having a positive impact on the climate and integrating such actions into our church life. Further information and the way to register for the session can be found through this link “

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PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT GROUP ACTION PLAN

Although the consultation period for the PEG action plan has concluded, keep updated on how the Church plans to tackle climate change below

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A poster for a climate gathering. The top half features a painting of a stormy sea with a ship's deck visible. The title 'CALMING THE SQUALL' is written in white on a blue banner across the middle. Below the painting, there is a light blue rounded rectangle containing the event details: 'Diocesan Climate Gathering Saturday 29th April St Luke's Glenrothes 10am to 4pm'. Underneath this, smaller text reads: 'Receive and Share practical help & information to navigate Net Zero for your congregation', 'Plenary Session, Workshops and Stalls addressing practical Net Zero implications and inspired by Mark 4:35-41', 'Tea & Coffee provided Bring your own lunch or buy at Kingdom Centre nearby', and 'Share in closing Worship'. At the bottom left, there are logos for 'We are the Church' and a green sun-like symbol. At the bottom right, there is a QR code.

For more information on the event please contact
Gerry Dillon
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CLERGY CHANGES

Revd. Nerys Brown at Synod being appointed as Canon by Bishop Ian Paton



Revd. Nerys Annie Hughes and Bishop Ian Paton following her appointment of Assistant Priest at St Johns the Baptist, Perth

Revd. Duncan Strathie and Dean Graham Taylor at Duncan's Institution as Rector at St Kessog's Auchterarder and St James, Muthill



GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP



Subhavna – The monthly Newsletter of the Diocese of Calcutta, CNI – March 2023

This latest newsletter from our partner diocese in Calcutta is available here.

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WHO IS OUR NEIGHBOUR?

The USPG, as part of this year's Lent Appeal, encourages us to acknowledge that our neighbours are not just those in our hometowns. Your neighbour is the person that God calls you to love despite your differences. We pray with our Church partners around the world and stand with their mission to support vulnerable people in their local communities. Please join the global Anglican church in transforming lives. To find out more about this year's Lent appeal and make a donation

This year we stand with and pray for our neighbours in Tanzania and Sri Lanka.

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FAREWELL FROM CAROL

My final farewell to you all. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve this diocese for the last six and a half years. I sit here on this my very last day (Thursday 30th March) thinking over how much has changed and how far we have come. In my time in this office we have said good bye to one

Bishop and welcomed another. We have said goodbye to one Dean and welcomed another. We

have said goodbye to one Convener of the Administration Board and welcomed another. We

have welcomed Eleanor McGourty as Admin Assistant and then Karen McLean Kiefer as Digital

Missioner. We have been through some of the biggest challenges during Covid and lockdowns

and we have come through to possibly a new way of seeing our world, especially in the light of Climate Change and the challenges that brings.

And so it is time for me to bow out and to welcome Jenny and Holly to the team. The new generation of Diocesan staff.

I would like to thank everyone for their support, generosity of spirit and especially for the kind words and encouragement I have received in the past few months. I am bereft at leaving you all but

know that I am looking forward to new experiences, new challenges and new encounters in retirement. I will never forget the warm acceptance I have felt from you all and it will be with me always.

I ask for God's love and guidance for you all in the days ahead. May that love be with you always.

Carol



MUSIC AND SPIRITUALITY: THE COVID-19 EFFECT

The Covid-19 pandemic and its accompanying restrictions presented a change in worship music as in-person worship was limited for months. In Scotland, church services were completely shut down; and even when churches re-opened, most church-goers were not allowed to sing for a time. I am curious to know the relationship between your musical and your spiritual experiences, and how these were affected by these restrictions.

Please take part in The Covid-19 Effect survey, which should take no more than 5-10 minutes to complete. Your responses will help me and my research team to understand the effects of music in worship on people's spirituality or, more specifically, the effects of being prevented from participating in the music in in-person worship. We hope to use the results from this survey to develop informed resources for faith communities to meet their spiritual needs.

The research project is led by Prof. George Corbett and Dr Sarah Moerman.

[Survey](#)

NEW DIOCESAN CONTACTS

Dean Graham has a new mobile number and can be found on 07485927982

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