## The Communicant





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### NOTICES 🧳

#### SYNOD MEMBERS

#### **Diocesan Synod Papers**

Sets of papers will be posted out to voting members next week – Lay Reps, commissioned, instituted or licenced clergy, and General Synod members. Anyone can attend and speak at Synod, even if you do not have a vote. If you are in the latter category, and would like a set of papers, they can be **downloaded** <u>here</u> or get in touch with the Diocesan Office to have a printed set posted out to you.





SYNOD: HOUSES OF CLERGY & LAITY

#### **Nominations and Elections**

At Synod on 11 March, there will be a number of elections, including Frances Burberry's replacement as Synod Clerk. Nominations for that office can ONLY be proposed and seconded by members of the House of Clergy. Nomination forms are included in the Synod papers, but are also available at

http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources/diocesan-vestry-resources/

## VESTRY SECRETARIES & TREASURERS

#### **Annual Forms**

The deadline for return of all annual forms was 31st JANUARY. Can you check the schedule (further on, in this edition), to see which forms are missing? We have already had to send certain summery returns to the General Synod Office with 'nil' returns against 9 charges, so your urgent attention would be greatly appreciated.



http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources/diocesan-vestry-resources/

#### **TREASURERS**

#### **Tax Guide for Clergy & Churches**

The Baptist Church has produced a good set of guidance for "Churches and Ministers", covering a wide range of topics, and includes a section on "MINISTER'S TAX RETURN AND CLAIM FOR EXPENSES", which some may find useful. It can be found online at <a href="http://www.baptist.org.uk/Publisher/File.aspx?ID=111382&view=browser">http://www.baptist.org.uk/Publisher/File.aspx?ID=111382&view=browser</a>

#### **YOUTH & CHILDREN**

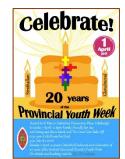
#### News from the Youth and Children Officer

Celebrating 20 years of the Provincial Youth Week at Strathallan and Glenalmond. A weekend of Provincial celebrations to mark this anniversary is planned for 1-2 April 2017, and will be hosted by St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. All current and former

delegates and leaders, their families, friends and supporters are welcome: event details and booking information \*now available\* here: <a href="https://secpyc.wordpress.com">https://secpyc.wordpress.com</a> Churches are encouraged to display this poster:

https://secpyc.files.wordpress.com/2016/10/glen-celebrationposter.pdf

Claire Benton-Evans, Diocesan Youth and Children Officer e-mail: youthandchildren@dioceseofedinburgh.org Office line: 0131 346 9081 Work mobile: 0747 372 8148



#### **ALL**

#### **News from the Adventures in Faith Coordinator**

Spaces available on two events running through the Lent period:

Open Hands, Willing Hearts A six week course 5 March - 9 April delivered online and



with a weekly group at St Martin's Dalry Road, Edinburgh Why am I here? What is mine to do? Who am I called to be? If these questions touch something you are yearning for in your spiritual life, then join us for refreshment, vitality and deepening in prayer. Our time together will invite you to

look at your life, no matter what age, and notice your unique contribution to God's vision. Through storytelling and sharing of experience, the course will help renew your appreciation of life and cultivate your attention, receptivity and responsiveness to how the Spirit is leading and guiding from within, through nature, and through the people who inspire you. Thursday evening group on 9, 16, 23 & 30 March and 6 & 20 April 7.30 - 9pm. Full details <u>here</u> please book by 15 February, 4 spaces left currently.

The Miracle of Mindfulness Wednesday 8, 15, 22 and 29 March 7.30 - 9pm

St Philip's Church, Logie Green Road, Canonmills, Edinburgh How does Mindfulness relate to the Christian tradition and where might this find a place in our own lives? We will focus on how mindfulness can enrich and inform the Way of Jesus. Each evening will include simple experiential activities and

opportunities to share, to help us become fully alive and awake to the 'miracle of mindfulness'. Full details here

Elizabeth White, Adventures in Faith Coordinator adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org



#### **Diocesan Office Staff Changes**

Elizabeth White is stepping down as Administrative Assistant at the Diocesan Office this week in order to focus on coordinating Adventures in Faith, and her Spiritual Direction and Pastoral Supervision work. Elizabeth's temporary replacement is Ann Rae arae@dioceseofedinburgh.org 0131 346 9081



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#### Bishop's Lent Appeal 2017

Thank you to all those who suggested possible benificiaries for the Appeal. The chosen charities for

the lent appeal are St John and The City Defibrillator Project (SC000262) and Collective Calling (Registered NGO 611510). The leaflet will be printed soon, and more details will

be provided at Diocesan Synod.

#### **TREASUERS**

#### **Allchurches Trust Limited: Roof Protection Scheme grants**

This is a special scheme, which we established this year for churches who face a particularly high risk of metal theft. This scheme was initially by invitation only and was towards the cost of an alarm/protection system approved by their insurer (whoever that may be), but requiring a commitment by the vestry to maintain the system for a minimum of five years.

Allchurches Trust has opened the scheme more widely to any church wishing to apply for a grant through it. The conditions remain the same. However, the grant potentially available to any churches not on our original 'at particularly high risk' list is for the lesser amount of £1000.

Though there has already been an encouraging take-up of grants available under this scheme, we are writing to you now to highlight its wider availability, and to advise you that the closing date for receipt of applications has, for the time being, been extended to



**31**st **March 2017**, though this will be kept under review in the light of take-up and available funds. Churches wishing to know more can access further information and a downloadable simple application form on a dedicated page on our website: <a href="http://www.allchurches.co.uk/news/roof-protection-scheme">http://www.allchurches.co.uk/news/roof-protection-scheme</a>. Completed applications, and any queries, should be sent to the

dedicated e-mail address for the scheme: <a href="mailto:rps@allchurches.co.uk">rps@allchurches.co.uk</a>, and we would urge any parishes wishing to apply for a grant to do so as soon as possible. We aim to give a response to all applications within one month of receipt, and would normally expect works funded with the help of a grant under this scheme to be completed by 31st December 2017, though in exceptional circumstances we may agree to an extension to this.

Jeremy Noles, Grants Officer - Allchurches Trust Limited

Office: 01206 866019 Mobile: 07748 761191

jeremy.noles@allchurches.co.uk

www.allchurches.co.uk

#### **ALL**

## News from the Bishop's Enabler of Mission Fascinating Statistics!

One of the essential foundations for discerning and developing appropriate engagement with our communities, is to understand more about the people we live amongst. Did you know that the Church of Scotland has a fabulous resource on their website which gives an incredible breakdown of the demographics of every one of their



parishes? It can be found through the church finder option on their home page: <a href="http://cos.churchofscotland.org.uk/church\_finder/">http://cos.churchofscotland.org.uk/church\_finder/</a> where you can type in your church postcode which brings up a list of the parishes nearby. Choose which one is closest (or which matches your area best), click on the church profile and contact option, then scroll down to see a parish statistics option. It gives a fascinating summary of the 2011 Census statistics for your area, an invaluable resource to inform and shape mission. More details from Annie Naish at <a href="mailto:mission@dioceseofedinburgh.org">mission@dioceseofedinburgh.org</a> or 0131 346 9089

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#### Free to a Good Home

Grey tabletop index filing drawers (no 'F' or 'XYZ' divider card).

Please contact the office if you are interested office@edinburgh.anglican.org

ALL	The Revd Patrick Duncan died on Sunday $5^{th}$ February. As soon as we are told any funeral arrangements, we will publicise them. Please pray for his wife, Sue, and the family.
ALL	<b>The Edge -</b> the next article in the "Meet the" series will feature lay members of our congregations who are published writers, whether of fiction, non-fiction, poetry or journalism. If you yourself would be willing to be interviewed or you know someone who might be, please contact David Warnes at <a href="warnesdavid@googlemail.com">warnesdavid@googlemail.com</a>

## DIARY 1

Sunday 12 February	Bishop John visits St Mary's Coldstream
Monday 13 February	The Diocesan Buildings Committee meets today
Thursday 16 February	Provincial Welcome Day for newcomers at the General Synod Office
Thursday 23 February	Cathedral Chapter meets today
FEBRUARY	During February <b>Play Church</b> will be at: St Mark's Portobello
	Spring 2017 Synod - <b>Saturday 11 March 2017</b> at St Paul's & St George's Church, Edinburgh.  Autumn 2017 Synod - evening of <b>Thursday 26 October 2017</b> <i>Venue to be confirmed</i>
ADVANCE NOTICE	<b>Saturday 28 October 2017</b> at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh BEING RE-FORMED: A Diocesan Day Conference to celebrate the 500 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther. Save the date!

## CHANGES 😚

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Accounts and Annual Schedules Received 2016/17 09/							09/02/2017
	Charge	Draft Accounts Received	Audited Accounts	Financial schedule	Diocesan Schedule	Cong Stats	PVG rtn
1.01	St Mary's Cathedral		26 Jan 17		26 Jan 17	20 Jan 17	20 Jan 17
1.02	BALERNO St Mungo's		24 Jan 17	24 Jan 17	24 Jan 17	28 Nov 16	24 Jan 17
1.03	BATHGATE, St Columba's		20 Oct 16	20 Oct 16	10 Jan 17	12 Dec 16	10 Jan 17
1.04	BO'NESS St Catharine's		30 Jan 17	12 Dec 16		7 Dec 16	
1.05	COLDSTREAM St Mary and All Souls		13 Dec 16	30 Nov 16	13 Dec 16	13 Dec 16	13 Dec 16
1.06	DALKEITH, St Mary's	01/02/2017		1 Feb 17	4 Jan 17	4 Jan 17	31 Jan 17
1.07	DALMAHOY St Mary's		2 Dec 16	2 Dec 16	23 Nov 16	28 Nov 16	23 Nov 16
1.08	DUNBAR St Anne's			20 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	11 Jan 17	27 Jan 17
1.09	DUNS Christ Church		31 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	13 Dec 16	27 Jan 17
1.10	EDINBURGH Christ Church, Morningside		29 Nov 16	7 Dec 16	27 Jan 17	23 Jan 17	27 Jan 17
1.11	EDINBURGH Emmanuel Church, Clermiston		10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17		7 Dec 16	
1.12	EDINBURGH Good Shepherd, Murrayfield		4 Jan 17		7 Dec 16	7 Dec 16	7 Dec 16
1.13	EDINBURGH Holy Cross, Davidsons Mains		30 Nov 16		30 Jan 17		30 Jan 17
1.14	EDINBURGH Old St Paul's		5 Dec 16	5 Dec 16	13 Dec 16	7 Dec 16	10 Jan 17
1.15	EDINBURGH St Barnabas', Moredun		29 Nov 16	29 Nov 16	6 Jan 17	29 Nov 16	6 Jan 17
1.16	EDINBURGH St Columba-by-the-Castle		8 Feb 17	31 Jan 17	7 Dec 16	28 Nov 16	16 Jan 17
1.17	EDINBURGH St Cuthbert's, Colinton		10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17	29 Nov 16	10 Jan 17
1.18	EDINBURGH St David's, Pilton		29 Nov 16	25 Nov 16	5 Jan 17	19 Jan 17	12 Jan 17
1.19	EDINBURGH St Fillan's, Buckstone		9 Dec 16	9 Dec 16	8 Feb 17	7 Dec 16	9 Dec 16
1.21	EDINBURGH St James the Less, Leith		18 Jan 17	18 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	18 Jan 17
1.22	EDINBURGH St John's, Princes Street		13 Dec 16	30 Nov 16	30 Nov 16	30 Nov 16	30 Nov 16
1.23	EDINBURGH St Margaret's, Easter Road					7 Dec 16	
1.24	EDINBURGH St Mark's, Portobello		26 Jan 17	26 Jan 17	26 Jan 17	25 Nov 16	26 Jan 17
1.25	EDINBURGH St Martin of Tours		12 Dec 16	12 Dec 16	10 Jan 17	13 Dec 16	
1.26	EDINBURGH St Michael and All Saints		19 Dec 16	19 Dec 16		15 Dec 16	19 Jan 17
1.27	EDINBURGH St Ninian's, Comely Bank		13 Dec 16	27 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	7 Dec 16	16 Jan 17
1.28	EDINBURGH St Paul's and St George's				27 Jan 17	20 Jan 17	30 Jan 17
1.29	EDINBURGH St Peter's, Lutton Place		19 Dec 16	19 Dec 16	9 Dec 16	9 Dec 16	9 Dec 16
1.30	EDINBURGH St Philip & St James				9 Feb 17	4 Jan 17	17 Jan 17
1.31	EDINBURGH St Salvador's, Stenhouse		28 Nov 16	28 Nov 16	22 Nov 16	30 Nov 16	2 Dec 16

	Charge	Draft Accounts Received	Audited Accounts	Financial schedule	Diocesan Schedule	Cong Stats	PVG rtn
1.32	EDINBURGH St Thomas', Corstorphine		10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17		4 Jan 17	
1.33	EDINBURGH St Vincent's, Stockbridge	31/01/2017		30 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	30 Jan 17
1.34	EYEMOUTH, St Ebba's			27 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	27 Jan 17
1.35	FALKIRK, Christ Church		31 Oct 16	31 Oct 16	23 Jan 17	7 Dec 16	30 Jan 17
1.36	GALASHIELS, St Peter's	07/02/2017		15 Nov 16	12 Dec 16	12 Dec 16	12 Dec 16
1.37	GRANGEMOUTH, St Mary's		29 Nov 16	29 Nov 16	23 Nov 16	29 Nov 16	29 Nov 16
1.38	GULLANE St Adrian's		7 Dec 16	7 Dec 16	9 Dec 16	20 Jan 17	
1.39	HADDINGTON Holy Trinity					7 Dec 16	
1.40	HAWICK St Cuthbert's		19 Dec 16	19 Dec 16	11 Jan 17	11 Jan 17	11 Jan 17
1.41	INNERLEITHEN, St Andrew's		31 Jan 17				
1.42	JEDBURGH, St John's		1 Feb 17	1 Feb 17	26 Jan 17	7 Dec 16	25 Jan 17
1.43	KELSO, St Andrew		5 Dec 16	5 Dec 16	13 Dec 16	19 Dec 16	19 Dec 16
1.44	LASSWADE St Leonard's,		6 Feb 17	27 Jan 17	18 Jan 17	15 Dec 16	25 Jan 17
1.45	LINLITHGOW, St Peter's				16 Jan 17	12 Dec 16	16 Jan 17
1.46	LIVINGSTON	30/01/2017		30 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	30 Jan 17
1.47	MELROSE Holy Trinity		1 Feb 17	31 Jan 17	12 Jan 17		12 Jan 17
1.48	MUSSELBURGH St Peter's,		16 Jan 17	16 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	5 Dec 16	30 Jan 17
1.49	NORTH BERWICK St Baldred's,				12 Jan 17	30 Nov 16	
1.50	PEEBLES St Peter's		22 Nov 16	22 Nov 16	27 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	27 Jan 17
1.51	PENICUIK St James the Less,		10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17	10 Jan 17	17 Jan 17	17 Jan 17
1.53	ROSLIN St Matthew's		11 Nov 16	20 Dec 16	31 Jan 17	31 Jan 17	31 Jan 17
1.54	SELKIRK St John's		20 Jan 17	12 Jan 17	27 Jan 17	21 Dec 16	27 Jan 17
1.55	SOUTH QUEENSFERRY, St Mary of Mount Carmel			30 Jan 17		7 Dec 16	
1.56	WEST LINTON St Mungo's		31 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	30 Jan 17		
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	Return Rate		O 76%	<b>©</b> 81%	● 85%	<b>93</b> %	<b>80%</b>
	Outstanding		<b>O</b> 13	O 10	O 8	O 4	O 11



## Full Time Rector, St Cuthbert's, Colinton

We are a congregation in a long established but expanding area in the south west side of Edinburgh.

We seek a Rector with experience to guide us and enable us to follow God's will in moving together on a journey of exploration of our faith through worship and learning in a questioning and open-minded fashion.

#### Are you a leader who is:

- Concerned for the pastoral work of our church?
- Enthusiastic about growing the work of God's kingdom within our new boundaries?
- Interested in working with all age groups?
- Prepared to build on and develop our Mission Plan?

We offer a spacious rectory in the village of Colinton close to schools, excellent transport and within a lively community.

The church profile and other information for applicants can be found at

www.stcuthbertscolinton.org.uk

www.scotland.anglican.org

All Application Forms should be returned to:

#### By post:

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Rt Revd Dr John Armes, Bishop of Edinburgh Diocesan Office 21a Grosvenor Crescent Edinburgh EH12 5EL By email:

bishop@edinburgh.anglican.org

Salary: Scottish Episcopal Church clergy standard stipend

Closing date: Friday 24 February 2017

**Interviews:** Week beginning 27 March 2017

Further information if required from Joan Smith, Rector's Warden, jfsscot@aol.com Scottish Charity Number SC007578



#### **Trustee Advert**

Our mission is 'Caring for Seafarers around the world'. We are a leading Christian voluntary organisation linked to the Scottish Episcopal Church working with Seafarers of all nationalities and religions throughout Scotland.

If you would like to use your skills and experience at Board/Trustee level to help us help seafarers, we very much look forward to hearing from you.

#### **Trustees**

We are looking for committed individuals to expand the range of Trustee skills as well as to consolidate existing skills with an eye to succession planning. We require dynamic and motivated people who are sympathetic to the aims and objectives of the Mission to Seafarers Scotland to fulfill these voluntary duties. We expect Trustees to contribute actively to the Board by giving strategic direction; setting overall policy; defining goals and setting targets; evaluating performance; ensuring the charity's effective and efficient administration and financial stability.

We want to have a wide range of people on the Board, and seek to be representative of the diverse population of Seafarers who visit our Scottish ports. There is no need to have trustee experience to apply. An interest in supporting seafarers is necessary.

In addition, on the basis of a recent skills audit, we are looking for someone with marketing or volunteer recruitment skills, to deepen our expertise in that area.

#### Trustees are expected to

- attend up to seven meetings a year and an annual planning day;
- get involved in support work including fixed term projects;
- contribute advice and support on an ad hoc basis; and
- attend events.

All reasonable travel and out of pocket expenses will be paid.

**How to apply:** If you would like to express your interest in this position, please email <a href="mailto:timothy.tunley@mtsmail.org">timothy.tunley@mtsmail.org</a> and we will forward an application.

## The Murrayfield Club is looking for new trustees. Might this be YOU?

The Murrayfield Dementia Project is run ecumenically by the three churches in Murrayfield. The Club, as it is known, seeks to provide a safe and happy environment for those over 65 living with a degree of dementia or who are socially isolated due to frailty or age. The Club is funded by the Edinburgh



City Council and local donations and employs four workers to provide for the needs of its members. It also has many volunteers from the local churches and community who all seek to make the Club and enjoyable place to be. The Trustee Board is looking for new trustees.

Do you have Human Resource management skills or other trustee experience that you might be willing to share with us? If so please contact the Rev'd Canon Dean Fostekew Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd on <a href="mailto:therector@uwclub.net">therector@uwclub.net</a> For more information on the Club see: <a href="https://www.mct.org.uk">www.mct.org.uk</a>

## EVENTS and NOTICES



#### Days for Girls Workshop Saturday 4th March 2017 from 10am to 4pm at St Columba's by the Castle, 14 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2PW

Days for Girls is an initiative to help girls in developing countries to remain in education even when they are having their periods. In many places across the world women and girls are seen as unclean when they are bleeding. And if they are unable to manage their periods hygienically they also feel the stigma of this uncleanliness. The answer is "You are not unclean, and with the Days for Girls hygiene kit you can manage your periods and still carry on a normal life".



The project is to make kits and send them, through personal contacts, to schools in parts of the world where they are needed. The kits are designed so that other women can copy the design and make them out of their locally available materials. This is seeding the idea, and spreading a solution to a problem that all women share.

Following the first successful workshop in Scotland in December St Columba's by the Castle is running a Days for Girls Workshop on the Saturday nearest to International Women's Day. Come and join us. To book a place please email Liza Coates on lizfurseroberts@gmail.com or write to Days for Girls, c/o St Columba's by the Castle, 14 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2PW

## Mission in Scotland Day Conference

Come and discover what is happening in mission across our nation at an exciting day conference for all interested. A bargain at £10!



**Exploring Mission in Scotland Today**, Tuesday 14th March, 10am-4pm, Stirling Baptist Church. More details from Annie Naish at mission@dioceseofedinburgh.org or 0131 346 9089 or on Eventbrite here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/exploring-mission-in-scotland-today-tickets-28728256990?utm source=eb email&utm medium=email&utm campaign=order confirmation emai <u>l&utm\_term=eventname&ref=eemailordconf</u>



The University of Edinburgh
Gifford Lecture
Professor Richard English – 'Nationalism, Terrorism and Religion'

Date: 2 March 2017

Time: 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Venue: Playfair Library Hall, Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh, EH8 9YL

The lecture may be followed by questions.

Latest finishing time is 7pm.

Richard English is Professor of Politics, and Distinguished Professorial Fellow in the Senator George J Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security and Justice, at Queen's University Belfast.

Between them, nationalism, terrorism and religion have substantially shaped the modern world. From the First World War to the 9/11 Wars, from the politics of Empire to the process of decolonization, from the establishment of national states to their rivalries and dissolution, these three phenomena have done much to create what we have inherited in the twenty-first century. They are also often viewed as destructive forces. But in this lecture Professor English argues that the relationship between them needs to be reconsidered, and that the grand challenges we face in regard to these forces offer room for optimism, and for positive developments if we choose to make them.

Gifford lectures are free but ticketed.

To book tickets visit: www.ed.ac.uk/gifford-lectures

Enquiries: GiffordLectures@ed.ac.uk

The Right Revd Brian Smith, former Bishop of Edinburgh, will again facilitate a post-lecture discussion at the University's Chaplaincy Centre (in Room 2, upstairs), Bristo Square, on Friday, 3 March at 12.30pm. No booking is required for the discussion. All welcome.

paris ♦ erfurt ♦ ghent ♦ oxford ♦ madrid ♦ luxembourg ♦ florence ♦ and more!

# YOU make the



# STO NES SPEAK?

If you are aged 18–30, free for 3 weeks or more this summer, and would like to work as a tour guide in a European cathedral, living in an international community of young volunteers, visit

www.encounterarc.org.uk

ARC UK (registered charity 1111651) is an ecumenical association of young people. Volunteers participate in summer projects, offering guided tours of European cathedrais in their native language. For more details, visit www.mocounterarc.org.uk or contact Charley at

Deadline: 10th March 2017



Sunday 26th February 2017 8pm Tickets £10/£8 concessions

St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral Palmerston Place, Edinburgh

## **AMNESTY**INTERNATIONAL



www.thelanterngroup.org

### The Hands of God



Loving God
Loving Self
Loving Others

#### A quiet morning for reflection

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2017 10.15 am to 1.30 pm

(Registration from 10.00am: ending with sharing lunch at 1.00pm)

#### **Holy Trinity Church**

Church Street, Haddington

The programme will be led by members of the Lantern Group, who share a common interest in the Ignatian way of prayer and spiritual development.

Donations welcomed to defray expenses

It's helpful if you let us know you plan to come.

Please phone 01620 824896 or email: jstein@handselpress.org.uk

#### Lent through a Lens: Film and Faith



St Mary's Cathedral and Palmerston Place Church invite you to join them this Lent for a series of evening reflections on faith through the medium of film.

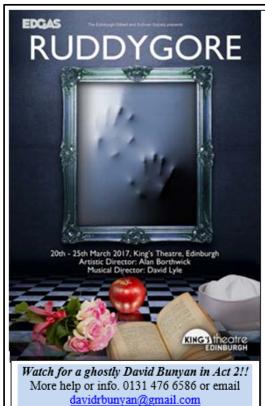
Opening Illustrated Lecture
Tuesday 28 February (Shrove Tuesday)
Professor Jolyon Mitchell
Director of the Centre for Theology and Public Issues
University of Edinburgh
7.30pm (tea/coffee available from 7pm)

Wednesdays 8, 15 & 29 March Film Showings and Discussion Prompt 7pm start

All meetings in
Palmerston Place Church
Edinburgh EH12 5AA

(Disabled access via ramp to left of Church steps)

For more information please email: <a href="mailto:ecumenical@cathedral.net">ecumenical@cathedral.net</a> or telephone 225 6293 (Cathedral) / 220 1690 (Church Office)



The Edinburgh Gilbert & Sullivan Society
(EDGAS) warmly invite you to organise a CHURCH
GROUP (See below), to our latest production in the
King's Theatre, Tue 21st-Sat 25<sup>th</sup> March @ 7:30pm
(Mat. Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30pm - (\*)Matinee Activities in
Upper Circle for kids-£6, but conditions apply, so please ask!

Access information: Audio described/BSL Interpreted
on Sat 25 March 2.30pm (Touch Tour at 1.30pm.)

Synopsis: Robin Oakapple's plans to marry sweet little Rose Maybud are thwarted when he discovers that he is a bad baronet of Ruddygore. If he fails to commit a crime a day, his ghostly ancestors will descend from their picture frames to torture him! Does this mean that Rose will marry the dastardly sailor, Dick Dauntless instead?

Why not come along and find out?

#### Offer for CHURCH Groups - BOOK by 16th Feb!

20% off the prices below for a group of 8 or more!

Front Stalls-£20/ Mid Stalls-£18/ Rear Stalls-£15

Dress Circle Premium-£23/ Dress Circle-£20.

Children under 16-£8, (\*) See also Matinee Activities above.

Please book by email with Allan Borthwick on ...

aborth@sky.com or by post, with your contact details to G&S Bookings, 11 Dalkeith Street,

Edinburgh, EH15 2HP.

#### Water in the Desert - A Quiet Day for Lent

Saturday 18th March

Emmaus House, 14 Gilmore Place, Edinburgh, 10am-4pm

During Lent, we remember the time Jesus spent in the wilderness. This Quiet Day looks at where we find sustenance in the dry places in our own lives, how we refuel, repair, and even grow, and how we connect with a God who wants to see the desert filled with streams of water.

The day will be facilitated by Susan Mansfield, who is trained in reflective spirituality with the Epiphany Group in Edinburgh and Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. There will be a mixture of guided reflection and individual quiet time, with a chance to rest, reflect and be creative. Cost £30 (£20 concession or pay what you can) includes lunch and coffee & cake. To book a place, email <a href="wordsmansfield@gmail.com">wordsmansfield@gmail.com</a> or call 07803 620038. Please consider booking by Friday 3rd March if possible.

#### **Pithead Time for Pastors\***

Small group reflective practice open to all in ordained ministry

Thursdays 3 - 4.30pm 30 March, 27 April, 25 May, 29 June in north Edinburgh

"British miners in the 1920s fought for what was termed 'pit-head' time - the right to wash off the grime of the work in the boss's time, rather than take it home with them. Supervision is the equivalent for those who work at the coalface of personal distress, disease and fragmentation."

Hawkins & Shohet

As supervision - or reflective practice - this group will offer a mixture of conversation and creative approaches to support vocation, explore tricky encounters and re-energise vision. The option to use objects and images in our time can aid confidentiality in a group whose paths may cross in other contexts, being less reliant on story or detail. The group is open to Rectors, Ministers, Priests, Chaplains etc who work at the Coalface of ministry; I would encourage you to see this group as clearly part of work time and to seek expenses for the cost. Group of 3 or 4 people, £30 per session. You are greatly encouraged to come to all dates; we will contract around this at the first group. 4 sessions, then the choice to stay or leave with new people joining as space allows for another block of 4 dates. Early bird rate of £110 if paid in full by 2nd March. Please book by emailing reflectivespaces@yahoo.co.uk

(\*thanks to M.Bazely & R.Layzell for the use of their chapter title in Enriching Ministry ed. Paterson & Rose)

Elizabeth White is a spiritual director, trainer and pastoral supervisor. Informal enquiries welcome.

For general information <a href="www.reflectivespaces.org.uk/supervision">www.reflectivespaces.org.uk/supervision</a>

#### **Colour and Courage**

A reflective practice group for people from a variety of working and caring backgrounds

Using a mixture of conversation and creative approaches here is an opportunity to re-energise vision for work, explore tricky encounters and refresh courage and compassion towards both yourself and those with whom you work. Open to people from a variety of backgrounds e.g. NHS and social workers, teachers, alternative therapists, charity workers, spiritual directors, volunteers, anyone in caring and helping roles or organisations etc. We will create the space between us using images, objects, action and 'soulful seeing' to go 'behind the scenes, beneath the words' in search of focus, support, and re-equipping.

Fridays 3 March, 7 April, 26 May, 30 June 7.15 - 9.15pm St Philip's Church, corner Logie Green Road/Broughton Road, Canonmills, Edinburgh

The group will be between 3 and 6 people. Cost £30 per session with a commitment across these 4 dates, then the choice to stay or leave with new folk joining as space allows for another block of 4. Early bird rate £110 for 4 sessions if paid in full by 6th February. To aid the group process you are greatly encouraged to come to all dates. If you know at the time of booking that you need to miss one date you will not be charged for this, thereafter the commitment of £30 is to all dates. Please book by emailing <a href="mailto:reflectivespaces@yahoo.co.uk">reflectivespaces@yahoo.co.uk</a>

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#### **Prepare Your Own Funeral**

Monday 13 February 7.30pm

A light-hearted but essential look at a difficult subject at St Fillan's Buckstone

Phone/email Ruth Innes to book 0131 622 1692

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WILSON MEMORIAL CHURCH is pleased to host an evening with ADRIAN AND BRIDGET PLASS and Friends as they bring us an evening of theatre, humour, music, and storytelling celebrating the Heroes and the unsung Heroes of the Bible, history, and today. It will also be a chance to look at and laugh a little at our own attempts to follow in their footsteps.

HEROES is a joint production between Searchlight Theatre (David Robinson and Michael Taylor), Scargill House (Adrian and Bridget Plass), and singer-songwriter Rob Halligan.

When: Monday, February 13, 2017 at 7:15pm

Where: Wilson Memorial Church

(corner of Kekewich Ave/Portobello Rd)

Cost: £10:00 at the Door/£8:00 from the church/£8:45 online)

(Online booking: admin@searchlighttheatre.org - 45p booking fee will apply)

www.searchlighttheatre.org

www.wilsonmemorial.org.uk

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#### **Ever wanted to learn New Testament Greek?**

If so, why not join a group of fellow learners, led by Professor John Starr? The sessions will be held at Emmaus House, Edinburgh on a Thursday at 7.30pm starting in May for 10 weeks in the evenings, the finer details to be negotiated once there is an idea of who wishes to participate. The Common Awards validated module is aimed at those with no prior knowledge of the language, and offers a grounding in New Testament Greek, a knowledge of the basic tools of translation, and the skill to engage in close reading of the biblical text. The Level 4 module, hosted under SEI's auspices, comprises ten one-hour sessions with a further ninety hours of personal study and an examination for those looking for credit.

Those wishing to audit the course from across the Diocese of Edinburgh and beyond are warmly invited; the only cost would be the price of core text books. Any seeking to do this for credit will pay a fee of £70. Further information from the Revd Dr Jenny Wright <a href="mailto:curate@osp.org.uk">curate@osp.org.uk</a>  $E \in Z \not \subset H \eta \Theta \theta$   $I \iota K \kappa \Lambda \lambda M \mu$   $N \nu \Xi \xi O \circ \Pi \pi$   $P \rho \Sigma \sigma \varsigma T \tau Y \upsilon$   $\Phi \Phi X \chi \Psi \Psi \Omega \omega$ 

## St Fillan's Buckstone Lent Group - Images of Lent

Looking at art on the themes of Lent Wed 1 March 11am - Wed 12 April in St Fillan's Chapel

(Book available to buy to use at home for £7.50) Phone/email Ruth Innes to book 0131 622 1692

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## Sunday Introductions at St Mary's Cathedral Palmerston Place, Edinburgh

All most welcome at any of these introductory talks, held on Sundays in front of the High Altar, 12 noon to 12.45pm

12 February 2017
Fr Gero McLoughlin SJ
An Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality

5 March 2017
Sharon Laidlaw, Epiphany Group
An Introduction to Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living

2 April 2017
Professor Susan Hardman Moore
An Introduction to Luther's Reformation

7 May 2017
Professor Stewart J Brown
An Introduction to the Oxford Movement in Scotland

4 June 2017
Helen Hood TSSF
An Introduction to Franciscan Spirituality

For further information, please email faithandgrowth@gmail.com or telephone the Cathedral Office (0131) 225 6293

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How do I help my child discover prayer, whilst also finding nurture myself?

The ever-popular 6-week interactive series on consecutive Monday mornings 10.30am til 12noon for toddlers, pre-schoolers and their carers:

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For a booking form please email, rector@stninians-edinburgh.org.uk www.playandpray.net

The series cost is £30 per family, to include a tea/juice break.

Alternatively a family can pay £5 when they come each week.

Maximum 10 families.

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