

The Communicant

News and Notices for the Diocese of Edinburgh

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NOTICES

VESTRY SECRETARIES & TREASURERS

ANNUAL RETURNS




We have now received most annual returns due from Charges, and thanks to Vestry Secretaries and Treasurers for getting them in. **The deadline was 31 January**, and we'd be grateful if those that remain are submitted without further delay.



Although most returns have been submitted to the Diocese, we notice that a significant number of Charges (nearly one-third of the Diocese) have yet to submit their Annual Return to OSCR. The deadline for this is 9 months from your accounting date, so falls between 31 March and 30 June. The details of your annual return and the date when it was filed are publicly displayed on OSCR's website.

Returns not submitted by the due date will receive follow-up action from OSCR, which may have consequences.

One particular consequence is that water providers use the information held by OSCR to verify claims for exemption from water charges. If returns are not up to date, exemption may be lost for the year concerned.

YOUTH & CHILDREN	<p>News from the Youth and Children Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The latest newsletter is out now: you can find it here. • Booking for the Provincial Youth Week at Glenalmond is now open! Application forms can be found here. Please encourage teenagers connected to your church to apply. • The Play Church is continuing on its pilgrimage around the diocese, and is currently in the Borders at St Peter's Peebles for Lent and Easter. A new film featuring the Play Church project has been created by Christian Education Association Scotland: it can be viewed here. Please feel free to share on church websites and social media!
ALL	<p>News from the Adventures in Faith Coordinator</p> <p>Call for Adverts for the summer edition of the Adventures in Faith programme for adult learning in our Diocese. If you have news of events in your church or community running over the summer and would like to let others know - courses, workshops, retreats, lectures etc - I would be very glad to receive details by 1st May. Around 30 words in Word is most suitable; an image is also welcome if it is royalty free. Elizabeth White adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org</p> <p>Into Silence Fridays 1.30 - 3pm at Christ Church Centre, Edinburgh continuing 21 April, 26 May, 23 June, dates thereafter A new Adventures in Faith monthly group offering guided stillness and silent prayer. Come occasionally or regularly. Led by spiritual director and counsellor Mollie Paterson. Donations of around £5 on the day. Further enquiries to 07398 954 011 adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org</p> 
ALL	<p>Bishop's Lent Appeal 2017</p> <p>The chosen charities for the lent appeal are St John and The City Defibrillator Project (SC000262) and Collective Calling (Registered NGO 611510). If you require more leaflets, contact Samantha Campbell on 0131 538 7044 bpsec@dioceseofedinburgh.org</p> 
ALL	<p>Jewson's 'Building Better Communities' funding is back for 2017</p> <p>The building firm are offering regional project prizes of £500 to £10,000 and the top regional project will receive £50,000. You can nominate any community building that is making a difference in your community and needs building support eg: a new roof or other renovation works. You can also nominate your Trade Hero who could win £50,000 to help them complete a community project.</p> <p>To find out more, or to nominate, see https://www.buildingbettercommunities.co.uk/how-it-works/</p> 

Accounts and Annual Schedules Received 2016/17

20/04/2017

	<i>Charge</i>	<i>Draft Accounts Received</i>	<i>Audited Accounts</i>	<i>Financial schedule</i>	<i>Diocesan Schedule</i>	<i>Cong Stats</i>	<i>PVG rtn</i>
1.04	BO'NESS St Catharine's		30 Jan 17	12 Dec 16	13 Feb 17	7 Dec 16	
1.06	DALKEITH, St Mary's	01/02/2017		1 Feb 17	4 Jan 17	4 Jan 17	31 Jan 17
1.13	EDINBURGH Holy Cross, Davidsons Mains		30 Nov 16	3 Mar 17	30 Jan 17		30 Jan 17
1.23	EDINBURGH St Margaret's, Easter Road	03/03/2017		3 Mar 17	13 Feb 17	7 Dec 16	3 Mar 17
1.25	EDINBURGH St Martin of Tours		12 Dec 16	12 Dec 16	10 Jan 17	13 Dec 16	
1.28	EDINBURGH St Paul's and St George's				27 Jan 17	20 Jan 17	30 Jan 17
1.38	GULLANE St Adrian's		7 Dec 16	7 Dec 16	9 Dec 16	20 Jan 17	
1.39	HADDINGTON Holy Trinity		14 Mar 17	11 Apr 17		7 Dec 16	
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
1.49	NORTH BERWICK St Baldred's,		16 Mar 17	16 Mar 17	12 Jan 17	30 Nov 16	
1.55	SOUTH QUEENSFERRY, St Mary of Mount Carmel	07/04/2017		30 Jan 17		7 Dec 16	
1.56	WEST LINTON St Mungo's		31 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	30 Jan 17	21 Feb 17	
54			48	52	52	53	47
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	Return Rate		89%	96%	96%	98%	87%
	Outstanding		6	2	2	1	7

Prayer in the time of Brexit

O God, in a divided nation
facing a challenging and uncertain future,
when many feel vindicated
and others are anxious and afraid;
give to us all the ability to listen to each other,
so that together we may renew the life of our nation
in harmony with our neighbours.
Give to our leaders the wisdom, compassion and justice
to make decisions for the good of all;
and to your church the courage to speak out and offer
a vision of how all the peoples of Europe may flourish.
Amen.

Resurrection

Voskresenije Choir of Saint Petersburg
Conductor: Jurij Maruk
St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

For Autumn in **November 2017** we are planning a – 55 days tour in UK and 14 days in Scotland. We would like to offer you an opportunity to hold our concert in your organisation. The Resurrection Choir of St. Petersburg is also known under the Russian name "Voskresenije" which implies resurrection of Jesus Christ. The collection of music includes Russian sacred and folk music.

The choir consists of 9 talented female and male vocalists who studied at the Conservatory of St. Petersburg. The choir was founded in 1993 by Jurij Maruk and has been performing in Germany, France, Italy, Austria and recently in the UK.

Last year we performed for a range of UK churches including the following:

St. David's Cathedral, Christ Church Ebbw Vale, Blessed Sacrament Church Leicester, Rosslyn Chapel, St. James's Church in Aberdeen and Dornoch Cathedral. The details of how to arrange a concert can be found on our website: <http://voskresenije.blogspot.com>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=apg5AclXPjs>

If you are interested to hold a concert or for any enquires please contact us by email. Looking forward to hearing from you

Kind Regards,

Jurij Maruk

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DIARY

Sunday 23 rd April	Bishop preaches and presides at St Peter's Galashiels
Tuesday 25 th April	Deadline for submissions for 'The Edge'
Thursday 27 th April	Information & Communications Committee Meeting
	Autumn 2017 Synod - evening of Thursday 26 October 2017 <i>Venue to be confirmed</i>
ADVANCE NOTICE	Saturday 28 October 2017 at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. BEING RE-FORMED: A Diocesan Day Conference to celebrate the 500 th anniversary of Martin Luther.

CHANGES

- **Revdr Dr Ken Webb** – retires from his Continuing Ministerial Development role and as Rector of Duns w.e.f 30 June 2017.

VACANCIES

Supervision offer from Rev Sandy Young: Having recently retired from seventeen years working for NHS Lothian as chaplain, lead chaplain, Head of Service Spiritual care and Bereavement Services, I am currently re-training towards becoming a Pastoral supervisor accredited by the Association of Pastoral Supervisors and Educators. As part of my training I need to find a couple of volunteer supervisees, on a free basis to one or two clergy or health workers. Any Pastoral Supervision relationship I begin on a free basis during my training will continue to be offered at no cost as a thank you for the contribution to my training. I attend well to my own self-care with an ongoing therapy relationship and shall be a recipient of Pastoral Supervision throughout my training. I have a PVG membership. If you would like to explore this possibility further, I would be glad to respond further sandy.young45@yahoo.com



The Scottish Episcopal Church
Diocese of
Edinburgh



RECTOR

To serve the
congregation of

ST MARY'S CHURCH, DALMAHOY

A Full-Time position

Salary: Scottish Episcopal Church clergy standard
stipend Accommodation provided

Semi-Rural location

20 minutes to Edinburgh City Centre

This appointment is subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure
Scotland check (Protection of Vulnerable Groups [Scotland] Act 2007)

Informal enquiries to: The Dean of
Edinburgh 0131 538 7033 or 0131
315 0404

Information Pack and Application Form

available from: Bill Scott, Vestry Secretary
Church Office, St Mary's Church Hall, Dalmahoy, Kirknewton
EH27 8EB or: william.scott56@btinternet.com

or: from our website www.stmarysdalmahoy.org.uk

Closing date for applications: 30th April 2017



GLEN '17

at Glenalmond College, Perthshire

Fantastical Beasts

“Fearfully and wonderfully made”



Scottish Episcopal Church Youth Week

23rd - 29th July 2017

Glenalmond College,
Perthshire

Want to do something different this summer?
Come & join the fun! The Youth Week is open
to anyone in secondary education.

Enjoy a week filled with fun, fellowship,
learning, and sharing - not to mention the
great activities and workshops!

Download an application form, which
includes full details, and for more
information:

<https://www.facebook.com/secpyc>

For more details, please contact your
Diocesan Youth Officer, or e-mail The Revd
Tembu Rongong rector@stpj.org.uk

<https://secpyc.wordpress.com>

Growing Together

Have you heard about this exciting adventure? ***Growing Together*** is a journey we are all embarking in the Diocese of Edinburgh to explore and articulate what God is calling us to be and do, at this time for this generation. As church communities we aspire to be faithful followers of Christ in our worship, service and witness, and so with constant change all around it is an opportune time to discern our vision and key priorities to give a clearer focus for the days ahead. Our hope is that this process of ***Growing Together*** will help us all develop stronger relationships, deeper faith, confident witness, wise stewardship and effective resources.

We are inviting every charge and all members of our diocese, both lay and clergy, to join in this journey. Bishop John will be travelling the Diocese and we would love you to come with others from your church to one of the roadshow events in four different locations. Come and contribute to the discernment of our vision and priorities. We want to reflect together on the adventure so far and listen to your local stories about what is working well in your church. We will spend time in worship and prayer, discussion and lunch. These events will be interactive, fun and inspiring as we discover and celebrate what God is doing amongst us.

Roadshow dates and venues are below and bookings are already open using the special email address - growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org

Sadly the Edinburgh one has had to change, so more details will be available after Easter. Do keep an eye on the website here - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

I hope you might be aware that we also have a **Diocesan prayer** and some suggested liturgy resources to encourage us all to be attentive to God in our corporate and private devotions throughout this process. At the Synod the Bishop commended the use of the dismissal in our worship these the coming months. Hard copies of these resources can be posted from the office and they are downloadable in word or pdf from the website to insert into your liturgies - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

Please do publicise this journey of ***Growing Together*** as widely as possible to your vestry, congregations and even family and friends. There are be some resources to help with this also on our website, for your magazine and notice sheets.

Like all adventures there will be surprises along the way. How will YOU be involved and inspired?

Growing Together Roadshow

Come and explore together how our churches can grow, change and flourish.

Reflections from Bishop John	Shared Lunch
Celebratory Eucharist	Group Discussion

We want to **hear stories** from your church, and **share good news** about how your church is moving forward.

Join the adventure of Growing Together in the Diocese of Edinburgh

Four different Roadshow locations across the Diocese, choose a venue or date as suits you

Bo'ness	Saturday 27th May St Catharine's Church	10.30am - 2.30pm EH51 9AZ
Galashiels	Saturday 24th June St Peter's Church	10.30am - 3.00pm TD1 3HS
Haddington	Saturday 1st July Trinity Centre	10.30am - 2.30pm EH41 3EX
Edinburgh	Saturday 2nd Sept. St Peter's, Lutton Place	10.30am - 2.30pm EH8 9PE

To book a place, or for more details contact:
Edinburgh Diocesan Office
0131 538 7033
growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org





THE UNIVERSITY *of* EDINBURGH

The University of Edinburgh
Gifford Lecture Series
Professor Jeffrey Stout –
Religion Unbound: Ideals and Powers from Cicero to King

Dates: 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 11 May 2017, 5.30 - 6.30pm

The lectures may be followed by questions. Latest finishing time is 7pm.

Venue: Business School Auditorium, 29 Buccleuch Place, Edinburgh, EH8 9JS

Jeffrey Stout is Professor of Religion at Princeton University; a secular philosopher with a background in democratic activism. He is affiliated with the departments of Philosophy and Politics, the Center for Human Values, and the Center for the Study of Religion. Two of his works—*Ethics after Babel* and *Democracy and Tradition*—received the Award for Book Excellence from the American Academy of Religion, a scholarly society for which he served as president in 2007. His honours include election to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2008), Princeton University's Graduate Mentoring Award (2009), and Princeton's Presidential Award for Distinguished Teaching (2010).

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 the Team Area, upstairs), Bristo Square, on Thursday, 11 May, at 7.30pm. No booking is required for the discussion. All welcome.



More than meets the eye

Symbol and Allegory in Western Art

Lectures by Canon Anne Dyer

2pm – 4pm, Royal Overseas League, Princes
Street, Edinburgh

Thursdays 25 May, 1, 15, 22 June 2017

Understanding a painting often involves paying attention to the small details. Through the centuries artists have used, and then reinterpreted, a language of symbol and allegory to add depth to the meaning of pictures. These lectures explore some of the most common symbols used in western art, many from the Christian tradition, as well as exploring some of the stories that were used allegorically to explore real world issues at the time the paintings were produced.

£35 for series / £10 per session. Bursary help available, please enquire. If you have facility please book online by 23 May
www.art2017.brownpapertickets.com or phone Elizabeth White,
Adventures in Faith Coordinator 07398 954 011



Ways of Praying Course

Have you ever considered that there might be a wide variety of prayer methods? This 4 week course draws on Christian traditions and Eastern Spirituality.

Sundays 4, 11, 18 and 25 June 2017 5:00-6:30pm

Augustine United Church, 41-43 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL

Course Content

Week 1: Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina (Benedictine)

Week 2: Imaginative Contemplation (Jesuit) Week 3: Daily Examen (Jesuit)

Week 4: Music and Mandala (Eastern Spirituality)

To find out more or to register for *Ways of Praying*, please contact one of the facilitators:

Rev Fiona Bennett minister.auc@gmail.com Dr Nicola Robinson

nicola.a.robinson1@gmail.com

Places are limited, please register as soon as possible and not later than 15 May 2017





“Caring for ourselves in troubled times: A day to rest, reflect and refresh with God and others.”

Join us on Saturday 13th May in the beautiful setting of Cockenzie House, close to Port Seton harbour, for a quiet day of prayer and reflection with God, ourselves and others.

Action in the world, motivated by faith and care for others, takes energy and commitment. It also requires time to look after ourselves: To reconnect with what motivates us, and to rest and refresh ourselves so that we can continue that involvement.

“Caring for ourselves in troubled times” aims to offer time and space to do just that. To:

- step out from the busyness of life and give ourselves time to pause
- notice how we are feeling
- remember why we do what we do, and
- reflect with ourselves and others on what can sustain us in our action.

The day is led by Miriam McHardy of Just Folk. It will offer guided reflections, time to share with others and/or be alone, an opportunity to be creative with arts materials, along with a chance to explore the beautiful grounds of Cockenzie House, or the beach close by.

The day will be of particular interest to people involved in work for justice & peace, social action, education or health and social care, or anyone who needs space and time to rest and refresh.

Saturday 13th May, 10am-4pm

£25/ £20 (conc.) Includes refreshments and lunch. Limited places available.

Place only guaranteed once payment is made. Advance bookings only please. There will be no facility to pay on the day.

Venue: The Willow Room, Cockenzie House & Gardens, 22 Edinburgh Rd, Cockenzie, Port Seton EH32 0HY

Cockenzie House is based in the small seaside town of Cockenzie & Port Seton, East Lothian. It is easily reached from around East Lothian and Edinburgh by public transport with the 26/X26 from Edinburgh (stating Seton Sands) stopping almost at the gate. The nearest railway station is Prestonpans.

For more information, or to book a place, contact: just.folk@mmchardy.org.uk



Cockenzie House & Gardens

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**

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

18 June 2017

Helen Hood TSSF
An Introduction to Franciscan Spirituality

22 October 2017

Revd Andrew Bain
An Introduction to Benedictine Spirituality

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

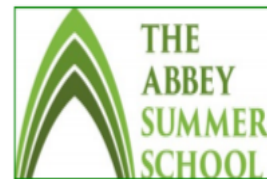


The Abbey Summer School 2017

Library Course: Reading and Preaching the Old Testament 29 May - 2 June

Chapterhouse: No Man Is an Island 1 - 3 June

Newhaven Church, 7 Craighall Road, Newhaven, Edinburgh



The Abbey Summer School, now in its fourth year, is a venture for people who like to think about their faith. But it is more than just thinking, we aim to reach toward something of the integration of thought and emotion, head and heart, spirituality and theology. In this year's main programme ('No Man Is an Island'), Julie Canlis will help us to explore the Western predicament of individualism, and to see the way in which Christian faith cuts across our individualistic instincts urging us towards relationship and community. New to The Abbey this year is the Library Course, a week of teaching on 'Reading and Preaching the Old Testament' with Prof. Iain Provan (Regent College, Vancouver) that dovetails, at the end of the week, with the Chapterhouse. Open to everyone, this course may be particularly useful for clergy on study leave. Finally, on Thursday 1 June there will be a free evening public lecture in which we screen and host a discussion about *Godspeed*, a short film featuring Rev. Matt Canlis, Eugene Peterson and N.T. Wright that explores the pace of being known in Christ. For more details and registration www.abbeysummerschool.com phone 07803956238 or email info@abbeysummerschool.com

Safeguarding Training

led by Donald Urquhart, Provincial Protection Officer

**Holy Trinity Church Hall, Stirling
Wednesday 17 May from 6:30pm to 9:30pm**



Open to Volunteers engaged in work on behalf of Congregations with Vulnerable Adults or with Children and Young People and also to Vestry members.

Open also to such people from Glasgow and Edinburgh Dioceses who may need to attend Safeguarding Training and who can readily access Stirling.

Anyone intending to come to let me know by e-mail in advance of the event.

Robert Nellist

Diocesan Protection Officer

Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane

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