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NOTICES

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DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS



We have been without a **Diocesan Treasurer** since last November, but we are very pleased to announce that, for an interim period, **Ian Lawson** – currently the Convenor of the Finance & Management – has agreed to take on the role. This was becoming critical as we approach the 2019 Budget process, so we are very grateful to Ian. During this interim period he will also be scoping the role, to see whether there are other ways in which we can cover the work of the important office of Diocesan Treasurer.

lan steps down, therefore, as **Convenor of the Finance & Management Committee**, and **Godfrey Robson** (Diocesan Secretary) will take over this role in place of lan. Again, we are very grateful to Godfrey for taking this on.

lan is a qualified CA who worked as an auditor for many years with one of the major accountancy firms in Glasgow, London and, from 1981 to 2002, in its Edinburgh office where Nigel Cook also worked. He was then Finance Director of the Scottish Bible Society, until retirement at the end of 2014, joining the F&M Committee the following year and becoming its Convenor in March 2017.

lan looks forward to getting to know all the charge treasurers over time, and invites them to get in touch if they need any help.

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We are very pleased to announce that **James Parsons** has been appointed as the new **Diocesan Communications Coordinator**. James is also a

Layclerk in St Mary's Cathedral Choir, and has recently been appointed as the new Publicity & Social Media Officer for St Mary's Cathedral – a post he will combine with his diocesan work. He is due to start with us in September.

Nathalie Mares has now started as Administrative Assistant (Mission & Ministry)/Dean's P.A. Nathalie will be supporting the Dean, the Mission & Ministry Committee and the Bishop's Enabler of Mission, as well as helping us with the general running of the office. She is only working 10 hours per week, whilst scoping the role, but you may find her answering your phone call if you ring the office, so do make her feel welcome in the diocese!



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News from Youth & Childrens Officer

GLENALMOND YOUTH CAMP 2018 "YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER"

The deadline for applications has been extended to Friday 6 July. Please encourage teenagers in your church to come & join the fun! The Youth Week is open to anyone in secondary education. It is a week filled with fun, fellowship, learning, and sharing – not to mention the great activities and workshops!

The Application forms can be downloaded here: https://www.scotland.anglican.org/wp-

content/uploads/glen18-form-1.pdf For any other information, please contact Claire Benton-Evans at youthandchildren@dioceseofedinburgh.org



News from the Bishop's Enabler of Mission

Climate Challenge Fund Grants

The Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund (CCF) provides grants and support for community-led organisations to tackle climate change by running projects that reduce local carbon emissions. Inspired to care for creation and help keep Scotland beautiful? Encourage your church to be bold and imaginative and apply for a grant - lots of information and ideas here:

https://www.keepscotlandbeautiful.org/news/sustainability-and-climate-change/climate-challenge-fund/climate-challenge-fund-is-open/

Making the most of the good weather?

And for more ideas of how to engage with creation and the 5th Mark of Mission, Eco-Congregations Scotland have published 10 ideas for your church on their website, found here: http://www.ecocongregationscotland.org/news/10-ideas-for-summer-events/

Street Pastors in Edinburgh

Do you know about the work of Street Pastors caring for people in the city on late weekend nights? They are looking for volunteers and offering training this coming October and November. Find out more here https://streetpastors.org/locations/edinburgh/ or contact their Recruitment and Training Coordinator on edinburghsp.training@gmail.com

More Resources for Mission and Discipleship

Have you explored Grove Booklets recently? Published in eleven different categories four times a year, these are really helpful short booklets, which explore a very wide range of practical subjects. The recent mission and evangelism ones include subjects such as setting up a dementia café, mission in new housing areas, the gospel and creative arts. Have a browse here: https://grovebooks.co.uk/collections/evangelism

I mentioned the Everybody Welcome course a while back, and having adapted it and run it at St Michael and All Saints, I would be delighted to lead this again (or help you run it yourselves). Four sessions based on simple questionnaires to help your church congregation explore how truly accessible and welcoming you are to visitors. Get in touch with Annie if interested mission@dioceseofedinburgh.org

CHANGES & APPOINTMENTS

Ian Lawson Diocesan Treasurer

Godfrey Robson Diocesan Secretary AND Convenor of Finance & Management Committee

James Parsons Diocesan Communications Coordinator (w.e.f September 2018)
Revd Yousouf Gooljary Instituted as Rector, St Martin of Tours, Dalry (w.e.f 19 July)

DIARY

29th**-30**th **June** Bishop attends the Lay Readers Retreat (IME 4-6)

Thursday 5th **July** Bishop attends Scottish National War Memorial Service

Monday 9th July Diocesan Buildings Committee meets

Thursday 12th July OFFICE CLOSED (Staff Development Day)

Thursday 19th July Institution of Revd Yousouf Gooljary at St Martin's, Dalry, Edinburgh (7.30pm)

ADVANCE NOTICES

Thursday 25th October Diocesan Synod @ St Paul's & St George's, Edinburgh (evening)

Tuesday 27th – Thursday

29th November

Diocesan Clergy Conference

VACANCIES

Digital Resources Online

Just a reminder that there is a set of pages on the Diocesan Website dedicated to helping you all with running your Vestry and supporting your congregation:

https://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources-diocesan-office/

It is by no means comprehensive - yet! However, do let us know if there are resources you would like access to that we have not uploaded, and will we see if we can get them online for you



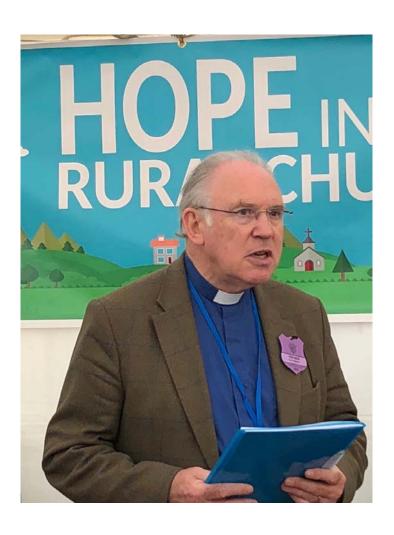
HOPE IN THE RURAL CHURCH

This year's Royal Highland Show included the release of a new report sponsored by ACTS (Action of Churches Together in Scotland) on future strategies for rural churches in Scotland.

The picture shows Rev Prof David Atkinson of the Diocese of Aberdeen & Orkney, Convener of the Scottish Churches Rural Group, launching the report, "Hope in the Rural Church".

Anyone who would like a copy of the report can download one from the ACTS website:

http://www.acts-scotland.org/activities/rural/item/275-hope-in-the-rural-church-reflections-on-the-scottish-church-census



EVENTS

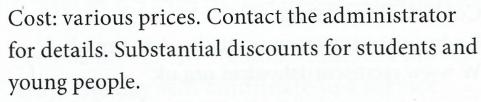


DUNBLANE SUMMER SCHOOL

Matthew Beetschen

Monday 16 July – Thursday 19 July 2018 13:00 to 12:00





Contact: Brian Baker

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Dunblane Cathedral will be our home for this year's summer school. Sung Evening Services on Monday to Wednesday (20:00) and Sung Eucharist on Thursday morning (10:00). A list of optional workshops will be published beforehand. Come for a day (Tuesday or Wednesday) if you prefer.



The National Youth Assembly is a platform for young adults to voice their opinions and actively participate in decision making within the Church of Scotland.

Discussion topics:

- End of Life Issues
- Being Ecumenical
- Social Media

For all those aged 17-25 with a connection to the Church of Scotland

Dates:

5pm Friday 17th – 5pm Monday 20th August 2018

Venue:

Gartmore House, Stirlingshire

Cost:

- £95pp or £85pp early bird rate (until 30th April)
- £50pp if from a priority area or requiring air travel
- All rates include full board and coach travel from Stirling

Discounts are available for those struggling for funding.
Contact sfarrant@churchofscotland.org.uk for details

Book online:

www.churchofscotland.org.uk/nya Booking closes17th July 2018

Social media:

- twitter: @cosy_nya @nyamoderator
- facebook: cofsnationalyouthassembly
- instagram: cofs_nya



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Age & Stage

Supported by the Corra Foundation, 'Age & Stage' Project engages elderly people and their carers who experience loneliness and isolation. Their stories, memories and observations will be presented by the medium of forum theatre during their performances in the 2018 Just Festival programme.

Active Inquiry, who specialise in producing devised plays, will support project participants in telling and sharing their stories.

If you would like to take part in the project or know of friends and family members who would be interested in taking part in drama workshops throughout July and performances in August, contact us at info@just-festival.org.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.just-festival.org/just-projects/



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Edinburgh Festival of the Sacred Arts at the Fringe

Over recent years, the multi-faceted Edinburgh Fringe has gained an international reputation for stand-up comedy, recitals by upand-coming musicians, street performances and zany student theatre. St Vincent's Chapel, located in the heart of Edinburgh's New Town, is in its third year as an official Fringe Venue, and in 2018, is introducing a completely new element to the Fringe -- a week-long focus on the arts of sacred music, iconography, floral art and religious poetry.

The "Edinburgh Festival of the Sacred Arts" will run during the middle week of the Fringe – from Sunday August 12th to Saturday

August 18th -- offering residents and visitors a unique opportunity to experience some of the riches of the centuries' long alliance between Christianity and the Arts. This mini-festival brings together Edinburgh based professional artists, including the *Edinburgh Quartet*, the *Squair Mile Consort of Viols*, and the *Edinburgh School of Icon Painting*, with local musicians, readers and flower guilds.

The Chapel will be open throughout the week. An exhibition of icons, curated by Basia Mindewicz, Director of Edinburgh School of Icon Painting Exhibition, will run from Monday to Saturday, with icons on sale, and two practical demonstrations to introduce this highly distinctive art to potential iconographers. Two evening recitals will offer audiences a chance to hear rarely performed works by major composers. On August 12th the *Edinburgh Quartet* will play Joseph Haydn's 'Seven Last Words from the Cross' in Haydn's own arrangement for quartet. A special feature of this performance is the interspersing of newly commissioned poems by the young American poet Jennifer Rawson. On August 16th *Coro Vincenzo*, under the direction of Leslie Shankland, will perform "The Resurrection Story" by the 17th century German composer Heinrich Schütz, along with music by Bach and Byrd.

An especially unusual contribution to the Festival is a celebration of floral art. 'Floral Art for the Feast Day of St Mary' is a one-day event on August 15th involving six of Edinburgh's Flower Guilds. Floral arrangements will reflect events in the life of the Virgin Mary, viewed in the context of recorded Marian music.

In conjunction with the Cornerstone Bookshop at Edinburgh's West End, the congregation of St Vincent's Chapel will provide the readers for an afternoon session devoted to 'The Anglican Tradition of Poetry'. This long tradition includes many of the greatest names in English poetry, from John Donne in the 17th century through Christina Rossetti in the 19th to T S Eliot and R S Thomas in the 20th.

A celebration of 1929 Scottish Liturgy, using William Byrd's famous 4-part Mass, with Professor David Fergusson Principal of New College as preacher, will inaugurate the Festival of Sacred Arts. The official opening takes place on Monday 13th at 11am, with the Bishop of Edinburgh, Deirdre Brock MP, the Consul General of the republic of Poland, and Sir Timothy O'Shea, Chair of the Edinburgh Fringe Society. The Chapter House Singers will bring the Festival to a close on Saturday August 18th with Choral Evensong, a centuries old Christian liturgy that has inspired a large number of gifted composers, from the 16th century to the present day.

Full details of the weeklong program can be found at www.edinburghsacredartsfestival.org

Local Contact: The Hon Barnaby Miln barnabymiln@mac.com 0131 557 8028 or 07901 782482 Director: Professor Gordon Graham, Princeton Theological Seminary, gordon.graham@ptsem.edu



The Trustees of the Iona Community are pleased to invite you to the public launch of the Iona Abbey Capital Appeal in the Memorial Chapel, University of Glasgow at 5.30pm on Monday 2nd July.

Throughout history, the tiny island of lona has had influence out of all proportion to its size. Today, ground-breaking work continues to emerge on this remote Hebridean island. The lona Community and the local island community are on the cusp of highly innovative developments, encompassing accessibility, inclusivity, sustainability and outreach.

Phase 1 of the Appeal is almost completed and the public invitation to join the appeal will ensure that Phase 2 is completed for the newly refurbished Abbey accommodation to re-open at Easter 2020. Life at the Abbey will become more accessible, environmental commitments will be enhanced and the extended season will benefit the whole island economy. The Appeal is based on a model of cooperation, pan-island partnership and the Community's deep commitment to social justice and peace across the world.

We hope you can join us for this very special occasion.

On behalf of Trustees

Christine Jones

Co-ordinator, Iona Abbey Capital Appeal

RSVP: Appeal@iona.org.uk by 26th June

Venue: Memorial Chapel, West Quadrangle, The University of Glasgow

Glasgow. G12 8QQ



Join us at our sponsored walk or cycle event and enjoy a stunning 5K route around the Kelpies structure.

Come along and discover the secrets of the Helix Park and join us for a picnic afterwards on The Great Lawn.

Time: 10:30am

Venue: Helix Park, Falkirk

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ENNEAGRAM TASTER DAY

Saturday July 7th, 2018

10.00-16.00hrs (Registration 09.30-10.00)

At St. James-the-less, Leith, 11a John's Place, Edinburgh, EH6 7EL

Facilitated by Ken Webb

A Description of the Day

Often misunderstood as a personality typing method, the Enneagram is a sophisticated map designed to foster spiritual growth and personal transformation. Rather than putting people in boxes, as most personality typing tools do, the purpose of the Enneagram is to get people out of the box into which they have, unconsciously, put themselves. It is all about making the journey from Ego to Essence, from Shadow to True Self.

Participants will be given an a brief history of the development of the Enneagram from its roots in the psycho-spiritual insights of the Desert Fathers to the way it has incorporated the insights of psychology today.

You will then be introduced to the basic triadic (trinitarian) framework of the Enneagram (meaning the diagram of nine), and the basic dynamic of that understanding.

Finally you will be given a taste of the journeys of all nine types.

All of this will be accompanied by spiritual practices to help participants experience, and make a start on, the journey from Ego to Essence.

It will not be possible for participants to know with certainty what type they are from attending this event. You will, however, be given the resources to do so. And it is rarely the case that anyone is just one type. The purpose is to grow, not only into the fully awake manifestation of your own dominant type, but also to grow towards the strengths of all the other 8 types. Taken in the round the nine faces of the Enneagram can be understood as the face of God seen fully in Jesus Christ.

Cost is £10 (£8 concessions) payable on the day with proceeds, after expenses deducted, donated to St James-the-Less. Email <u>kenwebb275@icloud.com</u> to book a place. **Maximum number of participants is 20.**