



ST MARGARET'S NEW GALLOWAY

JUNE 2025



PENTECOST

NUMBER 480

Charity No: SCO12084

SERVICES FOR JUNE

Our regular weekly service

10.30am Eucharist on Sundays each week

Special Services this month

8th June – 4.00pm – Informal Service

CHURCH OFFICERS AND VESTRY

Priest in Charge	Revd. Dawn Matthew	Tel: 420431
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BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, FUNERALS

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ST MARGARET'S WEBSITE

Our website is proving useful as another source of information. Any changes to our services will be posted on the website, as well as events out with our normal Sunday worship. News from the Diocese can also be accessed via our website.

<https://stmargaretsnewgalloway.org>

JUNE MESSAGE

Dear Readers,

Welcome to June, the wonders of May's weather and the scent of the bluebells now behind us, although cold nights and the lack of rain have made life difficult for farmers and growers. In the Church's calendar, June brings the feasts, or red-letter days, of Pentecost (8th) and Trinity Sunday (15th) and the conclusion of the Easter season. Then comes another feast on the first Thursday after Trinity (June 19th) which might look like a repetition. This is Corpus Christi, or the Day of Thanksgiving for the Holy Eucharist. You might think, 'But that was Maundy Thursday'. Since the thirteenth century it has been recognized that a feast day for the Eucharist outside the Easter season, and separate from the sorrows of Holy Week, should have its own focus. Throughout the Church, East and West, and in all languages and traditions, the Eucharist gives us all a common language, a common way of expressing our purpose and self-understanding. Attending church in any foreign country, you might not understand the language, but you would very quickly pick up just where in the worship you were and be able to play your part in it.

At every celebration of the Eucharist, we rehearse the pattern of taking, breaking, blessing and giving of simple bread and wine; just as our Lord's own life was taken, blessed, broken and given. In our own celebration of the gift of our lives, we are called to follow the same pattern. We ourselves are taken and blessed through Baptism and shaped and nourished to give ourselves to our Lord and the world in which we serve each other. So it is that worldwide the Church speaks a very different language compared with the greed, envy, aggression and warmongering that we currently witness. And while we here have the freedom to articulate and practice our faith, many abroad do not. Nevertheless, works of mercy and kindness, forgiveness and reconciliation, are undertaken by brave people often at great risk. Not only by Christians, of course, but by humanitarians too, all knowing that only love works in the end and never power or force. We can remember that Jesus wept for the fate of Jerusalem, as we weep for Gaza, Ukraine, for the war bereaved, for those seeking refuge. The Feast of Corpus Christi holds out to the world a much better way. In cities all over

the world the festival will be observed with processions and feasting. It's how the world deserves to be.

With kind wishes to you all, Barry

GLENKENS HUB

The Glenkens Hub (see <https://glenkens.scot/>) is a great source of information about absolutely everything that is happening in the Glenkens. Amongst other things, the comprehensive calendar lists everything that is happening on any particular day, including all the St Margaret's church services. If you haven't already visited the Glenkens Hub, please do so as there really is something to interest everyone.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUNDAY SERVICES TIMES 10.30am

Everyone is welcome to attend our services at 10.30am every Sunday.
2nd Sundays: 4.00pm Afternoon Service

MIDWEEK PROVISION

The Church will continue to be open most Tuesday mornings between 10am – 12noon. Revd Dawn is usually in the church during those times, so if you'd like to pop in for a chat and a coffee, you'd be most welcome. Please look out for the **CHURCH OPEN** sign.

THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP GROUP

This takes place on Tuesday Evenings 7.15-9.00pm, in the Session House, Dalry Kirk. This is an open, friendly opportunity for Christians or those seeking to know more, to meet casually together to look at and discuss the Bible in relation to our lives today. Refreshments are always served! For more information, please contact Julian Watson on tel: 07966157848

EVENING PRAYERS ON ZOOM

Each week, together with our sister church, All Saints, Challoch, we hold joint online evening prayers on Wednesdays, which begin at 7.30pm and last around 20 minutes. Our hope is that this is another way that anyone can join in with our church families to worship and pray together. The Zoom link will be the same each week, as follows.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://Wednesday Evening Prayers>

Meeting ID: 865 7597 6261

Passcode: 116824

DATES OF FUTURE EVENTS

The new Bishop for our Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway, Bishop Nick will be visiting New Galloway on Sunday 3rd August. As well as presiding at our usual morning service on that day, he will also attend the Alternative Games in the park in the afternoon. Everyone is welcome to attend the service and the refreshments that will follow it. Members of the Kirk have been advised of the date and it is hoped they will join us.

ST. MARGARET'S GUILD

The next Guild meeting will take place on Monday 2nd June at 10.30am in Dalgowan. All welcome.

Christine Rankin
Guild President

POETRY CORNER

God's Grandeur

The world is charged with the grandeur of God.
It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;
It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil
Crushed. Why do men then now not reck his rod?
Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;
And all is seared with trade; bleared, smeared with toil;
And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell: the soil
Is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.

And for all this, nature is never spent;
There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;
And though the last lights off the black West went
Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs -
Because the Holy Ghost over the bent
World broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings.

by Gerard Manley Hopkins

FLOWERS

1 st June	Barry Gilbert
8 th June	Rosalind Hall
15 th June	Rosalind Hall
22 nd June	Sarah Watson
29 th June	Sarah Watson

Please contact Nicolette if you are able to help - phone or message on 07748 631820, or email nicolette.wise2@gmail.com

CHURCH ASSISTANTS' ROTA

Intercessions

Chalice

1 st June	Dominique	
8 th June	Nicolette	Dominique
15 th June	Cathy	Christine
22 nd June	Christine	Dominique
29 th June	Dominique	Cathy

WELCOMERS ROTA

1 st June	Christine
8 th June	Cathy
15 th June	Christine
22 nd June	Nick W
29 th June	Nicolette

COFFEE ROTA

1 st June	Nicolette Wise
8 th June	Christine Rankin
15 th June	Carrie Winger
22 nd June	Sarah Watson
29 th June	Christine Rankin

JUNE READINGS

1st June

Acts 16: 16 - 34
Psalm 97
John 17: 20 - 26

Rosalind Hall

8th June

Acts 2: 1 - 21
Psalm 104: 25 – 35, 37
John 14: 8 – 17, 25 - 27

Cathy Agnew

15th June

Romans 5: 1 - 5
Psalm: 8
John 16: 12 - 15

Christine Rankin

22nd June

Galatians 3: 23 - 29
Psalm 22: 19 - 28
Luke 8: 26 - 39

Nicholas Wise

29th June

Galatians 5: 1, 13 - 25
Psalm: 16
Luke 9: 51 - 62

Nicolette Wise

PRAYER FOCUS

- Sunday** Pray for Bishop Reverend Canon Dr Nicholas John Bundock, the Clergy of the Diocese, Lay Readers and Vestry Committee.
- Monday** Pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to inspire churches and congregations around the world through prayers and worship.
- Tuesday** Pray for all those who suffer and are persecuted for their faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Wednesday** Pray for all of those who suffer severe hardship, for those who face famine and thirst around the world and those suffering the effects of the coronavirus pandemic
- Thursday** Pray for the world-wide Anglican Communion and Church leaders of all Denominations.
- Friday** Pray for His Majesty the King and his family and for all who serve under him.
- Saturday** Pray for the work of missionary societies and aid agencies in the troubled parts of the world.