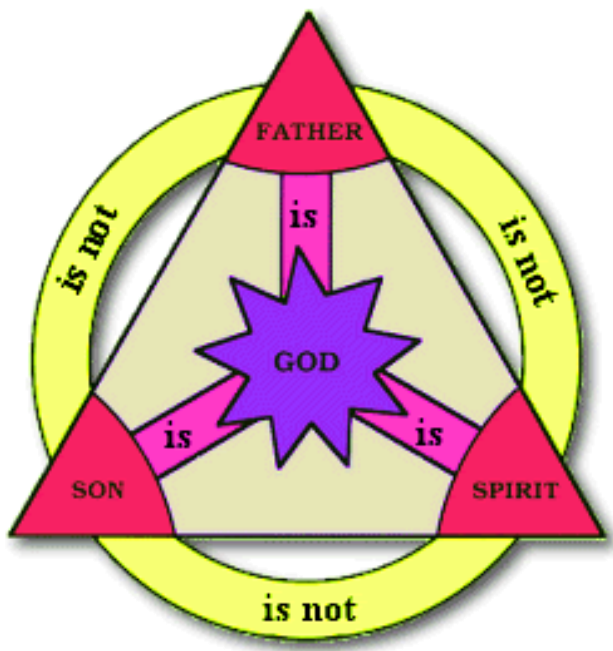




ST MARGARET'S NEW GALLOWAY

JULY 2026



TRINITY

NUMBER 493

Charity No: SCO12084

SERVICES FOR JULY

Our regular weekly service

10.30am Eucharist on Sundays each week

CHURCH OFFICERS AND VESTRY

During a Vacancy, an Interim Priest is appointed to support the church, mainly to provide pastoral offices such as funerals, weddings and baptisms. The provision of Interim Priest-in-Charge for St Margaret's will be provided by a team of local clergy in the following order:

Revd Alison Hudson - 07725 467246, alison.hudson4@gmail.com

Canon Stuart Bain - 07852 308175, stuart.bain@mac.com

Canon Elizabeth Breakey - 07506344747, ebreakey@glasgow.anglican.org

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, FUNERALS

Please see Church Officers above, or call Christine Rankin, Vestry Secretary, on 07749212201, for advice.

VESTRY

Secretary	Mrs C. Rankin	Tel: 07749212201
Treasurer	Mrs C. Agnew	Tel: 07796176124
Lay Representative	Mrs N. Wise	Tel: 07748 631820
Alternate Lay Rep	Ms D. Pope	Tel: 07817582879
Guild President	Mrs C. Rankin	Tel: 07749212201
Property Convenor	Mr Marcus Maxwell	Tel: 01644420328
	Mr N. Wise	Tel: 01644430218
	Mrs P. Gilbert	Tel: 01644420665

FROM THE VESTRY

June has been quite quiet with many of our church family away. But it has also been nice to welcome visitors. With temperatures currently soaring in parts of Europe and the south of England, south-west Scotland must seem an attractive choice for holidays!

The closing date for our advertisement for a new priest in the Church Times falls early in July. The Vestry will then be meeting with Elizabeth Breakey, our Rural Dean, to discuss the responses after which we will let you all know the outcome. However, if the advertisement has not produced anyone suitable we will run it again.

As always, we are grateful to everyone helping to ensure we have a service every Sunday – in particular Barry Gilbert, Stuart Bain, Chris and Ann Wren, Kirsty Anderson and Dominique Pope. And thank you to everyone who continues to support St Margaret's.

With all best wishes from
St Margaret's Vestry

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.

MIDWEEK PROVISION

On Tuesday mornings, if the 'Church is Open' sign is displayed outside, you are welcome to come in for private prayer and reflection

THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP GROUP

This is a local group for anyone seeking to meet up with Christians in the local area regardless of which church they attend or not for Bible study and fellowship. It is also open to anyone who would like to explore more about Faith and what God says of himself and Jesus through his word, The Bible.

They are very excited to announce that starting on the 2nd June, an eight week course devised by the Bible society simply called The Bible Course. This is an opportunity to have an overview of the Bible as a whole, through weekly videos and group discussion as well as Tea/coffee and CAKE! There is no expectation to contribute if this is not something you feel comfortable with, just coming and listening is fine.

They meet in The Session House, Dalry Parish Church on Tuesday evenings, starting with refreshment at 7.15pm and finishing by 8.30pm. For more information or to express and interest in coming please contact Julian Watson on 07966157848 or just turn up.

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. [www.https://stmargaretsnewgalloway.org](https://stmargaretsnewgalloway.org)

DATES OF FUTURE EVENTS

ALTERNATIVE GAMES – SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST

The first Sunday in August is now a permanent fixture in Glenkens diaries: the Alternative Games is always popular with visitors as well as locals with many folk trying their hand at the Gird 'n' Cleek World Championship, Tossin' the Sheaf, Hurlin' the Curlin' Stane, the Tractor Pull, a Snail Race and a classic car show.

Once again, the St Margaret's Guild will have a table at the Games (held in the Park in New Galloway) on Sunday 2nd August. Members of the Guild will be running a Raffle and a Children's Tombola, with all profits going to the CatStrand Youth Players.

We would be grateful for donations of good quality raffle prizes, and/or small inexpensive Children's Tombola items. These can be brought to the church where there will be a box in the porch.

ST. MARGARET'S GUILD

The next meeting of St. Margaret's Guild will be the AGM on 19th October; new members would be very welcome. Prior to this the Guild will be attending the Alternative Games see above and hosting the Harvest Lunch after the Harvest Festival Service on 27th September.

Christine Rankin
Guild President

POETRY CORNER

Trinity

For our anxious little realm,
for the fears that overwhelm...

There is a throne.

For mistakes we can't forget
and the sins that still beset...

We have a Lamb.

For our lost and lonely hearts,
for our gnarled and tangled paths...

We have a Shepherd.

For our dry and listless souls
and our thirst for being whole...

We have a Stream.

For regret and ravaged years,
for all sweet and bitter tears...

We have a Father.

For treks through burning sands,
To our home in promised lands,

This hope till all is done:

Our God the three-in-one.

Anon

CHURCH ASSISTANTS' ROTA

WELCOMERS ROTA

5 th July	Cathy
12 th July	Christine
19 th July	Nicolette
26 th July	Julian

FLOWER ROTA

5 th July	Kate Maxwell
12 th July	Kate Maxwell
19 th July	Sarah Watson
26 th July	Sarah Watson

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

REFRESHMENT ROTA

5 th July	Nicolette Wise
12 th July	Christine Rankin
19 th July	Susan Heritage
26 th July	Sarah Watson

JULY READINGS

5th July

Romans 7: 15-25a

Psalm 45: 11-18

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

Cathy Agnew

12th July

Romans 8: 1-11

Psalm: 65: (1-8), 9-14

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Christine Rankin

19th July

Romans 8: 12-25

Psalm 86: 11-17

Matthews 13: 24-30, 36-43

Nicolette Wise

26th July

Romans 8: 26-39

Psalm 119: 129-136

Matthews 13: 31-33, 44-52

Rosalind Hall

PRAYER FOCUS

- Sunday** Pray for our Bishop, the Right Reverend Canon Dr Nicholas John Bundock, the Clergy of the Diocese, Lay Readers and Vestry Committees.
- 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.
- 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.