



ST MARGARET'S NEW GALLOWAY

SEPTEMBER 2026



HARVEST

NUMBER 495

Charity No: SCO12084

SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

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, ebreaky@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
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

August has been a busy month with lots of visitors to the Glenkens. At the beginning of the month, the St Margaret's Guild ran a successful raffle and children's tombola at the Alternative Games in New Galloway (see the Guild section for a full report). Later in the month the Glenkens Show proved popular as well. We have enjoyed welcoming a number of visitors to St Margaret's, all of whom were charmed by our beautiful church and the friendly welcome they received.

Dominique's last service with us was on 16th August after which we made a small presentation to thank her for all her help and wish her well in her training. Now the Rectory is empty the builders are on site sorting the damp issue and replacing the boiler.

The vacancy process is progressing positively and we hope to send an update later this month. In the meantime, our thanks go to all those who are helping keep our services going during this vacancy, particularly Christopher and Ann Wren, Stuart Bain, Kirsty Anderson and of course Barry Gilbert who never seems to mind being asked to fill any last-minute gaps!

**With all best wishes from
St Margaret's Vestry**

FROM THE TREASURER - GIVING

If you would prefer to donate to St. Margaret's by standing order the bank details are below.

Bank: Virgin Money

Account Name: St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

Account Number: 70077006 **Sort Code:** 82-66-33

**Cathy Agnew
Treasurer**

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 have weekly group discussions and prayer over 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 an 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 outwith 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

HARVEST FESTIVAL & LUNCH **10.30am 27th September**

The Harvest Festival will be followed by a soup, sandwich and sweet lunch. Tables will be set up at the back of the church. There will also be wine and soft drinks available and a donation box towards costs and Guild funds. If anyone is able to help with catering or serving on the day please let Nicolette or Christine know. It would also be helpful if you could advise if you will be attending.

ST. MARGARET'S GUILD

The Raffle and Children's Tombola held at the Alternative Games was a great success and raised over £300 for The Catstrand Youth Players.

The Harvest Lunch will take place after the Harvest Festival Service on 27th September. This will be a scaled down version of our usual Harvest celebration due to our reduced Guild members. It will take the form of soup, sandwich and sweet with wine or soft drink paid for by donation.

The next meeting of St. Margaret's Guild will be the AGM on 19th October; new members would be very welcome.

Christine Rankin
Guild President

POETRY CORNER

When We See The Harvest

A harvest of apples, a harvest of corn,
A harvest of plenty, an autumn adorned.
With bright coloured leaves, a fall festive blend;
A wonderful time for families and friends.
A harvest of pumpkins a harvest of grain;
A harvest of bounty, and cool autumn rains.
A big harvest moon – way up in the sky;
A harvest of blessing that God has supplied.
Be grateful, be humble, give thanks to the Lord;
He has showered his blessing here in our world.
But have we been faithful and have we been true?
Have we put God first in all that we do?
A harvest that God sees is not food or crop;
Not pumpkins, or grain, not apples that drop;
But God sees the harvest of souls needing Him;
A harvest of people who need saving from their sin.
A harvest of souls and a harvest of love;
A harvest of mercy from our Father above.
When we see the harvest, let's see through God's eyes;
And share with the nations the life He supplies.

by Susan Y Nikitenko

CHURCH ASSISTANTS' ROTA

WELCOMERS ROTA

6 th September	Cathy
13 th September	Christine
20 th September	Nicolette
27 th September	Julian

FLOWER ROTA

6 th September	Nicolette Wise
13 th September	Nicolette Wise
20 th September	Kate Maxwell
27 th September	All for Harvest Festival

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

REFRESHMENT ROTA

6 th September	Susan Heritage
13 th September	Christine Rankin
20 th September	Nicolette Wise
27 th September	Harvest Lunch

SEPTEMBER READINGS

6th September

Romans 13: 8-14
Psalm: 119: 33-40
Matthew 18: 15-20

Cathy Agnew

13th September

Romans 14: 1-12
Psalm: 103: 8-13
Matthew 18: 21-35

Christine Rankin

20th September

Philippians 1: 21-30
Psalm 145: 1-8
Matthew 20: 1-16

Nicolette Wise

27th September

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18
Psalm 126
Luke 12: 16-30

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.