ST MARGARET'S
NEW GALLOWAY

NOVEMBER 2026



REMEMBRANCE

NUMBER 497 **Charity No: SCO12084**

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Our regular weekly service

10.30am Eucharist on Sundays each week

Special Services this Month

All Saints Day 1st November at 10,30am

Remembrance Day Service Sunday 8th November 10.45 at the War Memorial and following in St. Margaret's

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
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

October's Storm Boelo certainly made its presence felt here in the Glenkens, as in the rest of Scotland. Luckily the church suffered nothing more than a few broken branches but others locally were badly hit. Last year during Storm Eowyn a tree landed on the church roof which has made the Vestry understandably nervous about storms. Due to the Amber Warning for Storm Boelo, we decided it would be prudent to cancel our Sunday service on the 25th.

We are honoured to once again be hosting New Galloway's Remembrance Service on 8th November. We will join with Kells Church starting at the War Memorial at 10.50am with the Roll of Honour, laying of wreaths, the two-minute silence at 11am followed by the Last Post and Reveille. The service will then continue over the road at St Margaret's. Our thanks to Canon Barry Gilbert for leading this service.

With regard to our vacancy, our advertisement in the Church Times finished at the end of October. There was some interest but sadly no suitable applications. The advice is now to leave a 12-week pause before advertising again in late January. In the meantime, we are grateful for all who help with our Sunday services - Canons Stuart Bain and Barry Gilbert, Revd Christopher and Deacon Ann Wren, and Kirsty Anderson, Lay Reader at Challoch. Thanks too to all our loyal congregation!

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 - 10.30am

Everyone is welcome to attend our services at 10.30am every Sunday, followed by coffee/tea and fellowship.

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 out with our normal Sunday worship. News from the Diocese can also be accessed via our website. www.https://stmargaretsnewgalloway.org

ALL SAINTS' DAY SERVICE - 1st November, 10.30am

We will be celebrating All Saints' with candles available to light in memory of a loved one, followed by special refreshments after the service.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE – 8th November

The joint service with Kells Church will commence at the New Galloway War Memorial at 10.45am and, following the 2-minute silence at 11am, the service will then continue at St. Margaret's. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

ST. MARGARET'S AGM – 29th November

This will take place after the service and all congregational members are invited to stay to attend. The AGM papers will be emailed to all members but hard copies will also be available at the back of the church.

DATES OF FUTURE EVENTS

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING – 2nd December

COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE – 20th December, 4pm

CHRISTMAS DAY – 25th December, 10.30am

ST. MARGARET'S GUILD

St. Margaret's Guild AGM took place on 19th October; the report and financial statement of the Guild's activities is included in the Church's Annual Reports.

The Christmas Coffee morning held jointly with the Kirk Guild will take place in Dalry Town Hall on 2nd December. There will be one joint sales table, a raffle and refreshments. All appropriate Christmas items, baking and gifts will be much appreciated.

Christine Rankin
Guild President

POETRY CORNER

Lest We Forget

Remember those who died.
Those we loved, the one's who cried.
As I sit here in my room,
I picture the banging and the boom.
I try to pull myself together as I lie:
They gave their lives to keep us free.
To save the innocent like you and me.
I am thankful for no war,
As we wear our poppies in remorse:
Let's work together to keep this country our's
And on each Remembrance Day to wear a flower
So put on a smile and don't sigh,
Stay together and keep your head held high,
If we stand together, no one will break our power.

Anon

CHURCH ASSISTANTS' ROTA

WELCOMERS ROTA

1st November	Nicholas Wise
8th November	Christine Rankin
15th November	Nicholas Wise
22nd November	Julian Watson
29th November	Cathy Agnew

FLOWER ROTA

1st November	Cathy Agnew
8th November	Nicolette Wise
15th November	Nicolette Wise
22nd November	Kate Maxwell
29th November	Kate Maxwell

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

REFRESHMENT ROTA

1st November	Sue Heritage
8th November	Christine Rankin
15th November	Nicholas Wise
22nd November	Sarah Watson

NOVEMBER READINGS

1st November

Revelation 7: 9-17 — Nicholas Wise
Psalm: 34: 1-10
Matthew 5: 1-12

8th November

Remembrance Day Service

Christine Rankin

15th November

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 — Cathy Agnew
Psalm 90: 1-8
Matthew 25: 14-30

22nd November **Christ the King**

Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 — Rosalind Hall
Psalm 100
Matthew 25: 31-46

29th November **Advent 1**

1 Isaiah 64: 1-9 — Cathy Agnew
Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18
Mark 13: 24-37

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.