

Diocese of Brechin: News Bulletin

27th January 2021

Lockdown Continues: But churches remain connected and open with Online Services

The current 'Level 4+' lockdown continues (and will, on into February, but churches remain open online for worship and pastoral care.

Online Worship for the Whole SEC

The Scottish Episcopal Church continues to offer 'national' worship online. A Sunday service, each led by one of the College of Bishops, will continue in the form of a Eucharist broadcast at 11am through the current lockdown and beyond, as restrictions ease.



This service has an option to hear the worship by telephone for those without internet access. There are more details and downloads of previous weeks' services at:

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/>

Last week the service was 'hosted' by Brechin Diocese, with input from clergy and members of St Mary's Arbroath and St Peter's Auchmithie.

Sundays in Brechin Diocese

Many churches are offering local online forms of worship (such as Facebook Live, Zoom, YouTube recordings). From the Diocese of Brechin some offerings include:

St Paul's Cathedral—weekly Sunday Zoom: contact admin@saintpaulscathedral.net

St Mary Magdalene—weekly Sunday Zoom: contact kenneth.gibson1@btinternet.com

Holy Trinity, Monifieth—weekly Sunday Zoom: contact via their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HTCMonifieth>

If you are also offering a regular online worship—please let Elliott in the Diocesan Office know so we can advertise.

Weekday Worship in the Diocese

Prayer from Dundee

Each weekday during lockdown there is a short prayer service live-streamed by either St. Ninian's or St. Mary Magdalene's in Dundee.

All are most welcome to join in. The current times are as follows:

- Monday: 6pm - Evening Prayer live-streamed on the St. Mary Magdalene's Facebook page
- Tuesday - 9pm - Compline live-streamed on the St. Ninian's Facebook Page
- Wednesday - 9am - Morning Prayer live-streamed on the St. Mary Magdalene's Facebook page
- Thursday - 9pm - Compline live-streamed on the St. Ninian's Facebook Page
- Friday: 6pm - Evening Prayer live-streamed on the St. Mary Magdalene's Facebook page

Link to [St. Ninian's Facebook Page](#)

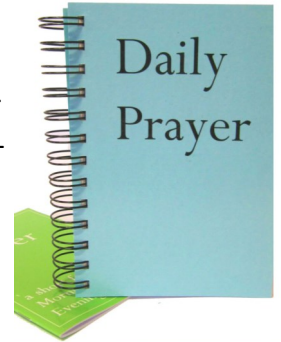
Link to [St Mary Magdalene's Facebook page](#)

Morning Prayer from Angus

Rev Gary Clink, curate for St Mary the Virgin, Arbroath & St Peter's, Auchmithie, will be hosting a Morning Prayer through Zoom at 8:30 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Morning Prayer normally last about 20 minutes and follows a standard pattern of Psalms, Scripture Reading and Prayer. The service is based on those found on the Scottish Episcopal website – Daily Prayer Offices (<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>) the text of Morning Prayer is made available from 6am each day.

You can find more information and the Zoom link to the Morning prayer on a special Facebook page here: [Scottish Daily Prayer](#)



Prayer for Argyll—Bishop Process

Please keep the SEC Diocese of Argyll and The Isles in your prayers this week. They are electing a new bishop using Zoom and heard presentations from candidates last Saturday (23rd Jan) and will meet this coming Saturday (30th Jan) to elect the successor to Bishop Kevin Pearson who was translated to Glasgow and Galloway in 2020.

Link to Bishop Ellinah Wamukoya's Remembrance

Please continue to keep the Diocese of Swaziland and all of Bishop Ellinah's family in your prayers, as we are now a week after her death.

The Diocese of Swaziland has set up a new link to Bishop Ellinah Wamukoya's Remembrance service, which took place last Saturday. If you were unable to access the service on Saturday (there were various technical problems) the recording on this link is much higher quality and has tributes and the archbishop's sermon.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ARgALASi4kA&t=1109s>



We will share any further news on memorials or the process that our companionship diocese will now follow. Dean Advent Dlamini, the dean of the cathedral, is the vicar-general so is the caretaker for the diocese following the bishop's death.

Making the Word Live - Sound Advice!

Reading the lesson in church?

"Easy!" "Nothing to it." "Stroll to the lectern and read!"

Well you can do it that way but a little thought and a little planning can make all the difference.

The Bible is a dramatic and exciting



story book and no one expects an Oscar-winning performance from you, but the most thrilling and momentous passages need a little drama.

The Diocese is offering a ZOOM session to help you to engage with this important part of the liturgy well.

Please join us for an hour on **Sunday 31st January 2021 at 3.00pm**. The session will be led by Colin Lamont who is a drama teacher in Glasgow and ex Radio presenter.

Please contact Very Rev Fay Lamont on flamont53@sky.com or 07931222092 to sign up and you will be sent the ZOOM link .

Faith in Community Dundee— Food Provision and Money Advice

Faith in Community Dundee continue to provide a Food Provision list for the Dundee area. This will continue—follow the link for the latest status.

They have also provided an updated Money Advice leaflet that includes information on opening times as the new year starts. We will publish updates to this information.

Please follow the links to the information.

[Food Provision](#)

[Money Advice](#)

Further guidance and information will be supplied as any changes are notified. There remains great need for this help in Dundee—if you wish to support any of the projects listed in the sources above, that help would be greatly welcomed.

If you are aware of any other sources of support in any of the areas covered by the diocese, please contact Elliott in the office and we can pass on the details.

News to share? Please send...

If you have any events, ideas with worship or anything else to report, please send copy to Elliott at office@brechin.anglican.org. The Bulletin will come out each week for the foreseeable future with updates on Covid issues, news from charges and (hopefully) useful information for our communities.