

Diocese of Brechin: News Bulletin

27th October 2022

St John's (Princes Street) Edinburgh Choir leads Brechin Charges' Worship



The choir at St Palladius Drumtochty with Canon Michael Turner, the Rector

The choir of the Church of Saint John's Princes Street, Edinburgh were on tour in the north of the Diocese of Brechin last weekend. They sang Evensong in St Palladius' Church, Drumtochty on Saturday, with Orlando Gibbons setting and anthem. They then led worship in St James' Stonehaven on Sunday 23rd October, singing the morning Communion service as well as Evensong with including responses by Smith of Durham; canticles, Stanford in C; and anthem, Stanford - Beati Quorum Via.

REFRESH! ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS: Workshop for children and families in church: This Saturday: please come along and see!

Saturday 29 October 10am – 1pm at St Mary Magdalene's, Dundee

Do you want to try something new this Christmas? Wondering how to engage families since the pandemic? No time to research new resources? Looking for fresh inspiration?

This workshop is for everyone, whether you have children and young people in your church or not. There are so many ways of engaging with families and young people in our churches and in the communities where we are set.



Claire Benton-Evans, our Children and Youth Officer, will lead an interactive half-day workshop for the Diocese, full of fresh ideas, recommended resources and new things to try for Advent and Christmas. All clergy, lay readers, lay leaders and volunteers are very, very welcome.

For planning purposes, please book your free place by emailing Claire at youth@brechin.anglican.org

16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence (25/11-10/12) & "Reclaim the Night" March

16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is a yearly international campaign running from 25 November until 10th December calling for an end to violence against women and girls globally.

There is a full programme of events around Dundee and Angus - information about these can be found [here](#).

The annual Reclaim the Night march is on **Monday 28th November**, gathering on Magdalene Green at 18:30, and ending at the V&A with guest speakers. If you'd like to march with others from around the Diocese a group being organised by Rev'd Roxanne Campbell will gather outside the V&A at 18:15 and walk together to Magdalene Green. All welcome.

Even if you can't make any of the events the 16 Days are a good time to consider the ways in which our churches are safe spaces for women and girls. Some things to consider might be:

- Contact details for support services such as Women's Aid and WRASAC being displayed on notice boards.

- Raising awareness of how church members should respond effectively to disclosures of abuse.
- Including those affected by Gender Based Violence in prayers of intercession

Music in the Diocese this Autumn

There is a range of excellent musical offerings of interest to all taking place in the Diocese this autumn.

Lunchtime Concerts at St Paul's Cathedral on Fridays

St. Paul's Cathedral is hosting their lunchtime concerts again, following a pause during the pandemic.

The next concert will take place on Friday 4th November at 1pm with Scots fiddle player Alastair Savage accompanied on piano and accordion by Gregor Blamey. The last concert of the autumn/winter series will take place on the 18th November will include Kim Duncan on oboe and recorder, accompanied on piano by Robert Duncan. Details are at <https://www.saintpaulscathedral.net/concerts/>.

Each concert will last 45 minutes. Tickets can be purchased at the door on the day and coffee/tea and cake will be served after each concert giving the audience the chance to meet and chat with the performers as well as with each other.

Annual All Saints'-tide Musical Recital in Glencarse

On Friday 4th November at 6pm All Saints, **Glencarse** invites you to the annual All Saints-tide musical recital. Please come and enjoy the singing of Amy Strachan (soprano) and accompaniment of Daniel Silcock on piano. Admission is free. Any donations will go to the work of Siobhan's Trust in Ukraine.

Lunchtime Music at St Mary Magdalene's, Dundee

St Mary Magdalene's Dundee is hosting an informal lunchtime organ recital on Wednesday 9th November at 12:30pm. Geoff Bolton, director of music from St. Ninian's Cathedral in Perth will be playing music by J.S. Bach. Admission is free but donations are welcome.

"Big Coat" Project at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Dundee

Donations of warm winter jackets and coats are needed for St. Mary Magdalene's 'Big Coat' Project over the winter months. Women's and men's coats

are accepted but they are especially short on men's. Please contact Rev Canon Kenneth for further details: Tel: 07825554419 or email: kenneth.gibson1@btinternet.com

"Big Book Browse" 10th Birthday Bash in St James' Stonehaven

St. James, Stonehaven is celebrating the 10th year of its big book browse taking place on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th November. This huge milestone will be celebrated in a number of ways. First, birthday cake will be had. Hopefully enough to keep going from 10:00 till 16:00 on the Saturday and 11:00 till 16:00 on the Sunday. Secondly, the Communion Service on Sunday will be designated as Bible Sunday, celebrating the best book of all!

Continued support for Ukrainian 'guests' in Angus and area

On Sunday, 30 Oct starting at 2.30pm, Fr. Oleksandr Menshykov, an Orthodox Priest from Aberdeen (originally from Ukraine) will lead a Memorial Service for the Departed (Panikhida), and Moleben prayers to the Most Holy Theotokos at St Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church in **Arbroath**.

The service (conducted in Old Church Slavonic) will take about an hour, and Fr Oleksandr will be available for Orthodox Confessions afterwards.

Doors will open at 2pm for private devotions.

Please share these details with any of your Ukrainian or Orthodox friends, though all are most welcome to attend. For more information contact Fr Gary Clink (gary.clink@brechin.anglican.org)



Any news to share in the Bulletin?

If you have upcoming events of interest to the whole diocese and stories and photos of events around the diocese, we would love to share these in the bulletin.

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