

# Brechin Bulletin

## Holy Week & Easter 2024

### **Chrism Eucharist 2024 at the Cathedral : Maundy Thursday (28th March) at 11am**

The annual Diocesan Chrism Eucharist takes place in the cathedral on Maundy Thursday at 11am. The service will have the blessing of oils (chrism and healing) for the coming year and a thanksgiving and renewal of vows for ordained ministers and affirmation of lay ministries. All clergy, lay readers and those who assist in lay ministries in the church communities of the diocese are warmly invited. Clergy and lay readers—please robe if this is your tradition. Lay ministers: if you robe to lead worship, please feel free to robe as part of this service.



Chrism Eucharist: oils to be blessed (image, St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane Diocese)

The service will be followed by refreshments and a chance to share fellowship as we enter the Triduum, the three days at the end of Holy Week. All welcome!

### **Farewell Service for Stuart Muir: 5pm Cathedral Festal Evensong on Easter Day**

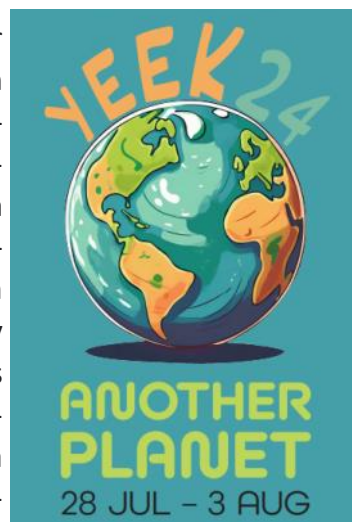
Stuart Muir, Pastoral Musician at the Cathedral, is leaving his post on Easter Sunday to take up a new appointment as Director of Music at St. Machar's Cathedral, Aberdeen. We are very sorry to see Stuart leave us, but delighted for him in his new role.

Stuart's last service at the Cathedral as Pastoral Musician will be on 31 March, Easter Day, at 5.00 pm. A farewell service of Choral Evensong will be followed by a party to say goodbye to both Stuart and Robert. Everyone is welcome to come to the service and party.

If you can come to the party, please let the cathedral staff know by clicking [here](#).

### **Provincial Youth Week: A week for teenagers that's out of this world!**

Booking is now open for the Provincial Youth Week (Yeek 24). This annual event for young people at High School is a week-long immersive experience, blending faith and fun in a community where everyone values kindness, respect and mutual support. Yeek is a place where young people lift each other up. Our theme this year is 'Another Planet' and it promises a week filled with discovery, creativity and connections. If you know a teenager who is connected to your church, give them the gift of an unforgettable experience at Yeek (28 July – 3 August 2024).



There are discounts available before the Early Bird deadline on **1 April (Easter Monday)**: for further information and registration, visit [www.yeek.scot](http://www.yeek.scot). Please encourage families with teenagers to find out more!

### **Music at St. Mary Magdalene's: 10th April 12.30pm**

The next Wednesday lunchtime concert at St Mary Magdalene's will be the Abertay Quartet on 10th April. Concerts will start at 12.30, last 30-35 minutes and tea and coffee will be available. Admission is by donation and you are invited to bring your own lunch to enjoy with the music.

### **Interested in a Retreat this Year? Open Event at Whitchester 17th-19th May 2024**

As we approach the end of Lent, might you be wondering about a retreat for your spiritual life and discipleship?

A retreat is planned for 17th - 19th May 2024. It will be at Whitchester Christian Guest House, a beautiful and tranquil setting in Hawick, and will be led by Ca-

thedral clergy. The cost is approximately £180 per person (full board). If you want to go then fill in a booking form and return to Rev'd Roxanne Campbell. Form can be downloaded [here](#).

For more information contact [roxanne@saintpaulscathedral.net](mailto:roxanne@saintpaulscathedral.net)

### **Vacancy: Family Support Coordinator role with Home Start, Dundee**

Home Start Dundee are recruiting for a part time Family Support Coordinator to join their existing team. 20 hours per week: closing date is Friday 5th April 2024.

For more information contact [admin@homestart-dundee.org.uk](mailto:admin@homestart-dundee.org.uk).

### **Save the date – the “Messy Church” team is coming to Scotland!**

If you've wondered whether “Messy Church” might be something your church could try, this is for you! It's a full day of training for both new and experienced Messy Church leaders, including digging into Messy Church values, discipleship and Messy Church Goes Wild, plus a music workshop with Fischy Music. This will be an inspiring day that's not to be missed!



Dates of events and details are below:

**Friday 7 June 10am – 4pm – Dundee (£20).**

[Full details and booking](#)

**Saturday 8 June 10am – 4pm – Glasgow (£20).**

[Full details and booking](#)

### **Bishop's Lent Appeal 2024: “Save the Children: Gaza Crisis” Appeal**

As we approach the end of Lent, a reminder that Bishop Andrew has chosen the Save the Children “Gaza Crisis” Appeal for our Lent Appeal, with its special focus on humanitarian aid for the children affected by the dreadful violence and humanitarian

disaster developing as Israel engages in military action in Gaza. The politics of the Israel-Gaza conflict are complex, with Hamas atrocities committed on October 7 and hostages taken and held, and the overwhelming Israeli military response since then leading to so much suffering in Gaza. The humanitarian crisis for so many civilians and especially the children of Gaza demands our support.



## **Save the Children**

Please either collect during Lent for gathering and passing on to Save the Children after Easter, or give directly to Save the Children at <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/how-you-can-help/emergencies/gaza-crisis-2> if you wish to add Gift Aid to your donation. Please let the Diocese know if you give directly so we can thank you for your response to the appeal.

### **Cost of Living Crisis: Info and Projects**

The Cost of Living crisis is still with many of the most vulnerable in society even as we enter Spring of 2024. Food and fuel prices remain stubbornly high, and pressure remains on people trying to afford the costs of food, heat their homes with continuing high utility costs. Churches and charities are also feeling the pressure of raised bills

The Diocese is continuing to place information and resources to help with living costs on a page on the Diocesan website. The page can be found here: Cost of Living Crisis page [here](#).

### **Holy Week and Easter Bulletins**

From Bishop Andrew: I pray that all will have a blessed and peaceful journey through this Holy Week and on to a joyful and lifegiving Easter! The Brechin Bulletin will be taking a break for Easter Week, so the next edition will be in week beginning 8th April 2024.



### **Any news to share in the Bulletin?**

If you have details of upcoming events, stories and photos of events around the diocese, please email Elliott Scarfe in the office on [office@brechin.anglican.org](mailto:office@brechin.anglican.org).