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St Martin's Dundee Represented at the Installation Service and Celebrations for the Order of the Thistle in Edinburgh



Ann at the Order of the Thistle Service, Edinburgh. Photo: Iain Turnbull

On 3rd July Ann Gibb (pictured left) represented Martins St Church, Dundee, at the installation Service for the Order of the Thistle in St Giles Cathedral, the High Kirk of Edinburgh. This is the highest order of chivalry in Scotland and on the day HM the Queen and of Edinburgh were installed as a Lady and Knight of the

Order. Other members were installed including Baroness Sue Black previously the Professor of Forensic Anthropology at Dundee University. The service included trumpet fanfares and choral music from the Choir of St Giles and many representatives of civic life across Scotland, the Lord Lyon and Officers of Arms led the processions.

the afternoon Ann was present at the celebrations to mark the 900th Anniversary of the founding of Edinburgh held in Edinburgh Castle. She spoke to both the King and the Queen during their walkabout and was able to view a number Ann meets the King at the Castle of the stalls and Photo Iain Turnbull activities in Crown



Square. These included young Bhangra dancers, a ballet company of over 60 years old and the cutting of a cake made for the occasion by Peter Sawkins of Edinburgh who was a winner of the Great British Bake Off. She also sampled a rare whisky which had been presented to the King and Queen. A very special and memorable day.

St Salvador's Dundee 150th Anniversary, 14th September 2024

Join us at St Salvador's Scottish Episcopal Church, Dundee, for a momentous celebration of our 150th anniversary on Saturday, September 14th, 2024. The event begins at 2 pm with a Choral High Liturgy of the Holy Cross, featuring the Strathclyde University Chamber Choir, conducted by Alan Tavener, BEM, performing Herbert Howells' Communion Service. The Very Rev Dr. Emsley Nimmo, Dean Emeritus of Aberdeen and Orkney, will preside and preach.

Earlier in the day, the MAXwell Centre will celebrate its 10th anniversary with family-friendly activities starting at 11 am.

Everyone is welcome to join in this special day of music, fellowship, and community spirit, with complimentary refreshments available after the service. Free on-street parking is available nearby. Clergy and Lay Readers are kindly asked to robe and join the procession.

'Reboot' your church's children's work

Is your church regularly without children? Do you wonder how your church might get involved with your local school? This training session is for you! The Children and Youth Officer will share lots of practical ideas for boosting your church's welcome for any family who might arrive on Sunday, with a special feature on welcoming neurodiverse children. The Chaplain of Southesk Primary School in Montrose will share lots of great ways we can serve our local schools. This will be an inspiring and interactive event held at Dundee University on 23 October, 6-8pm. Please email youth@brechin.anglican.org if you would like to come, or if you have any questions.



Scottish Episcopal Church 'Net Zero' and Building Care Updates:

Energy Footprint Tool to Begin Roll Out

The 'Energy Footprint Tool' EFT for the SEC is now ready to be used and vestry treasurers have been informed by the Net Zero Team on how to get registered to use the tool. The EFT is an online software tool developed for the SEC to gather data on greenhouse gas emissions across the Province. This data is crucial in measuring our contribution to climate change, shaping strategy, and reducing our carbon footprint as part of the Net Zero Action Plan. Please watch out for more information on this tool and various other initiatives that will be helping us as the church works towards the 2030 target for achieving Net Zero.

Webinar for the SEC on HES Grant Programmes, 19th September (online)

On 19 September, a webinar will be held from 1:00-2:00 PM, hosted by Dr. Susan O'Connor, the Head of Grants and External Relations and Partnerships for Historic Environment Scotland (HES). This session will provide an overview of HES' grant programmes for SEC charges, specifically targeting the built heritage and the Net Zero Action Plan. To register interest, please contact Jack Nevin, Net Zero Innovation Coordinator and the Net Zero team link for Brechin Diocese, at JackN@scotland.anglican.org

"How to Care for Your Church" Workshop in Lochee 25th September

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Lochee and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings are hosting a free workshop for those who care for historic places of worship. The course will offer those who care for historic places of worship introductory guidance to understand their buildings better and how to carry out basic preventative maintenance. Sign up and event agenda can be found using the link: https://howtocareforyourchurchwor.rsvpify.com

Notices from Around the Diocese

Cathedral Lunchtime Concerts: Saturday 7th Sept 1 pm

The Cathedral's Autumn/Winter Lunchtime Concert Series is set launch on Saturday, September 7th with the award-winning violinist Seonaid Aitken and guitarist Conor Smith celebrating the music of Stéphane Grappelli and Ella Fitzgerald. Enjoy jazz classics like "Sweet Georgia Brown" and Ella's unforgettable hits. Tickets cost £8 for adults (16+) and £5 for Children (15 and under). Tickets are available at the door.

St Mary Magdalene's Dundee Quiz Night: 10th September 8pm

Attention Quiz fans! St Mary Magdalene's will be holding a quiz night on September 10 in the Fort Bar in Broughty Ferry at 8pm. Teams of between 3 and 5 people or individual entries welcome - we will find a team for you if you don't have one! Refreshments provided.

Contact Judey Struth (07858790623) to register a team or for any other info. Hope to see you there!

Lunchtime Concert at St. Mary Magdalene's: 11th Sept 1pm

The St Mary Magdalene's second Wednesday lunchtime concert series starts again on 11th September with an organ recital by Robin Bell, BMus. ARCO, ARSCM. The concerts start at 1pm and last for about 35 minutes. Admission is by donation and audience members are invited to bring their lunch to enjoy with the music. Coffee and tea will be available.



Any news or upcoming events 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.