

Brechin Bulletin

30 October 2025

Interim Priest for Aberdeenshire Charges

Bishop Andrew announced at Diocesan Synod that he is appointing the Rev Ellie Charman to be Interim Priest for the charges of St Laurence, Laurencekirk, St Palladius, Drumtochy, St John the Baptist, Drumlithie and St Andrew, Fasque, following the retirement of Canon Michael Turner, after forty years of ministry, at the end of September.

Ellie, who has been ministering in the Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness, will start this full-time role in November. She will lead worship in the charges, supported by other priests and lay readers, and will also work with the congregation members in the charges to help them plan for the next phase of their ministry, whilst exploring opportunities for ecumenical and other community partnerships in the Mearns area of the Diocese.



Rev Ellie Charman with the Bishop in Laurencekirk (Photo K Gibson)

Memorial Service for the Revd Robert Breaden held in Broughty Ferry

Around 90 people attended the memorial service for Rev Robert Breaden at St Mary's Broughty Ferry on Oct 25th including his wife Glen and 2 of his children, Patrick and Anne-Louise. About 30 of those present are still current members of the congregation, but many there were former church members, friends from his time at Carnoustie and local people who's life he had touched in different ways during his 37 years ministry in Broughty Ferry.

The service was conducted by the rector Rev Mark - Aaron Tisdale and the eulogy, and sermon on the resurrection, (as requested by Robert for his original funeral) were given by Rev John Cuthbert former rector of Arbroath.

Refreshments were served afterwards and many old acquaintances enjoyed reminiscing on Roberts time at St Marys, and the big or small part he had played in so many lives.

New Diocesan Website Launched

A refreshed Diocese of Brechin website has been launched, with a new appearance and improved function. You can visit the site at <https://brechin.anglican.org/>. Please feedback any issues you encounter: further content will develop in the next few weeks.



The St. Paul's Evening Series: "A Kind of Magic - Queen on Strings", Friday 31st October, 7.30pm

Join St. Paul's Cathedral on Friday 31st October at 7:30pm for an evening of Queen performed on strings live in the stunning acoustic of St Paul's Cathedral.

Follow the Cathedral on social media for more details, and book tickets online at the following web address: www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-pauls-cathedral-dundee

A Time to Remember' at Invergowrie: Saturday 1st November 12 noon.

All Souls' Episcopal Church, Main Street, Invergowrie, invite you to join us for 'A Time to Remember' our departed loved ones in a short commemoration service for All Souls' Day, on Saturday 1st November starting at 12 noon. The service will be led by the Very Rev Fay Lamont. There will be an opportunity to add names to the commemoration list and light a candle. Please stay and share soup and bread with us following the service.

From 'Cornerstone' at the Cathedral: Meeting Next 3rd November 6.30pm

Our next event is *Lectio Divina*, on 3 November. In the Cathedral

Whether it's your first time joining us, your first time

in a long time, or if you are with us every month, you are very welcome!

We will be meeting in the Cathedral at 6.30pm.

Cornerstone events are open to anyone aged 18-30 (ish!). Please get in touch via Instagram (@cornerstonestpauls) or by email (admin@saintpaulscathedral.net) if you would like more information, or to be added to our WhatsApp group and keep up to date with new events and information!

Lunchtime Concert at St. Mary Magdalene's: 12 November, 12.30pm

The November lunchtime concert at St Mary Magdalene's Church will take place on Wednesday 12th at 12.30 pm. It will be given by Jill Harrison (soprano) and Michael Robertson (piano) in a programme of arias, lieder and art songs. As usual tea and coffee will be available beforehand, audience are welcome to bring their lunch and admission is by donation

St. Ninians Dundee Fundraising Ceilidh for Gaza: Friday 14 November, 7.30pm

An evening of dancing and music led by Cross Connections Ceilidh Band. Suggested minimum donation is £5. All proceeds to Disaster Emergency Relief Fund (Gaza).

BYOB - hopefully Stovies will be served at the break.

Contact Dean Kenneth for further info. 07825554419

For Canon 35 (Building Change) and Grant Applications: Meeting Date for the Diocesan Buildings Committee

The next meeting of the DBC will take place on **19 January 2026**.

Please note that the deadline for grant applications and Canon 35 matters for this meeting is therefore **12 January 2026**. Contact the office for more information.

GoHealth's "The Chaplaincy Course: Presence and Healing"

Booking has opened for GoHealth's The Chaplaincy Course: Presence and Healing.

This updated course inspires and empowers chaplains in their crucial work to feel confident in the unique value of Christian chaplaincy within multi-disciplinary teams. Dive into the **science** behind pastoral ministry, explore the complexities of dealing

with **trauma** and connect with others to learn how to **flourish** faithfully in this carefully designed learning experience which is delivered live online

Extensively piloted in consultation with chaplains, education professionals, trauma specialists and theologians for chaplains in any sector or context, either paid or voluntary. This course would be of value to chaplains (lay and ordained) at any stage of their career.

This course is made up of three workshops running from 10:30-12:30, on the 5th, 12th and 19th February with an optional follow up session.

Early bird discounts available until the end of November. For more details click [here](#).

Spotlight on Upcoming Scottish Episcopal Net Zero Webinar Event

To register for these sessions, please email Jack Nevin at JackN@scotland.anglican.org to be sent the joining information.

The Energy Footprint Tool - What we've learned. 6/11, 1-2pm

For the last two years, every Charge in the Province has been asked to complete the Energy Footprint Tool, usually just referred to as the EFT. The data gathered allows each Charge to see the size of its carbon footprint and track changes, particularly when measures have been put in place to reduce this footprint. This is an opportunity to explore what the EFT is revealing and how we can streamline the process for Charges to collect this data.

An Advent Calendar Poetry Study

Catherine Black is a member of Holy Trinity/Church of the Holy Rood within the Brechin Diocese. She is mainly known for her musical contributions however, writes poetry in a variety of contexts using mixed poetry styles. This year she has completed a study book for advent that contains a collection of 25 of her poem alongside a daily bible reading and reflection. Each day allows the reader to take a short time out to reflect on their personal faith journey as they prepare and wait in anticipation through Advent. Hard copies will be available mid November but you can pre order by emailing at catherine.black09@icloud.com Purchase price is £8 per book. Postage and packaging is an extra £2 with discounted postage on bulk orders on request. ALL profits from the first 125 books sold will be donated to Holy Trinity, Monifieth's Starfish projects.