

Brechin Bulletin

6 August 2026

Prayer Request following Tragic Child's Death in Arbroath this Week.

Bishop Andrew asks that all in the Diocese please keep in prayer 9 year-old Minnie Merriman who died this week after being found injured in the town of Arbroath in the Diocese. This tragic death, and the subsequent charging of an adult known to her for her murder are shocking news in this small Angus holiday town. Reports confirm that her family are devastated and there is a sense of shock in the town. Please also pray for the Rev Pete Mead, our Episcopal Priest in Arbroath, as he leads the church community at this difficult time.

New Bishop's Personal Assistant and Administrator Appointed: Jenni Main

As announced last week: Ms Jenni Main has been appointed as the new Bishop's Personal Assistant and Diocesan Administrator. She will join the Diocesan team in mid August. She is now going through her induction process. Jenni, who is part of St Paul's Cathedral, has excellent experience in administration, management and people skills, with a background in retail management, care experience and charitable work.



Jenni Main, the new Bishop's PA and Administrator (photo J Main)

Bishop Andrew said, "It was a delight for me and the panel to interview Jenni for this role, and we are confident that her positive outlook, excellent skills and experience will make a wonderful impact on the Diocese of Brechin. Jenni said, "I'm excited to be taking on this new role and can't wait to get started. I'm looking forward to meeting everyone, building new relationships and supporting the Bishop and the wider Diocese in whatever way I can."

Jenni will mainly work from office space in St Paul's Cathedral, and will be contactable on the Brechin office email address office@brechin.anglican.org and phone number.

Meeting of Diocesan Council taking place next week.

Please keep in prayer the Diocesan Council, meeting on the 11th of August, to oversee the work of the Diocese of Brechin. A report on the meeting will follow in due course.

St Paul's Cathedral Hosting Children's Summer Pop Up Choir, 10-12 August

If you know a young person going into P4-S6 who loves singing, or would simply enjoy giving it a go, please share this with them. The course includes songs from musicals and pop, musical games and activities, and finishes with a concert for family and friends. You'll find all the details on the Cathedral FB page by visiting them here: [Facebook Page](#). To book a place, or if you'd like more information, please email Billy at music@saintpaulscathedral.net.

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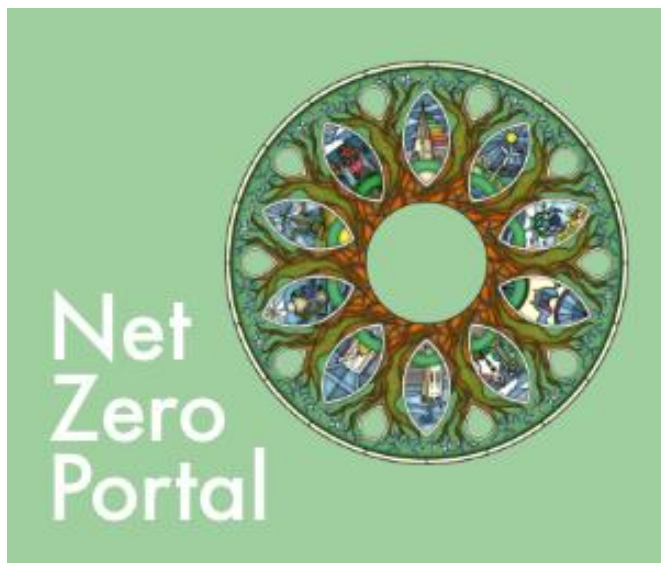
10 - 12 AUG 3 FUN-FILLED DAYS!	11AM - 3PM EACH DAY	P4 - S6 ALL ABILITIES WELCOME	£60 FOR THE 3 DAY COURSE
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Net Zero Event: Benefact Trust Project Open Church Event at St Ninian's, Dundee on 29 August from 10:30 am – 1:45 pm. All are Very Welcome!

Join us at St Ninian's, Dundee on 29 August, from 10:30-13:45 for a day of talks, networking and learning relating to their Benefact Trust-Scottish Episcopal Church funded whole-campus decarbonisation project.

Hear from funders, installers, technical professionals, and those involved with the project at St Ninian's.

To book please click here: <https://forms.gle/GU4U8AFH8yixPKD4A>.



Provincial Youth Pilgrimage to Iona

The Provincial Youth Committee will be hosting two pilgrimages to Iona for young people in October 2026: 12-18 year olds will be on pilgrimage between 10-14 October, followed by those aged 18-25+ between 14-17 October.

Pilgrims will gather in Oban before travelling by ferry and across Mull to Iona, staying at Bishop's House and exploring the island, including opportunities to visit Iona Abbey and join the community there for worship.

The cost, which includes travel from Oban, accommodation and food on Iona will be £235 for 12-18s for four nights and £210 for 18-25+ for three nights, with a supported rate of £160 available for young adults who may find the full cost difficult to manage. There will also be the option to pay by instalments.

Places are limited, and applications should be completed by **10 August**. Further information on the trip and how to book can be found [here](#).

Vacancy: Cathedral Administrator

The Cathedral is seeking to appoint a competent and reliable part-time Cathedral Administrator, working 20 hours per week.

Full details of the post, together with information on how to apply, can be found here:

[Cathedral Administrator – August 2026](#)

For a chat about the role please contact Provost Roxanne (provost@saintpaulscathedral.net), and please do share this with anyone you think would be a suitable fit for the role. Closing: 14 August.

Organ Recital Held in Memory of Lay Reader Harold Jack at Montrose

An organ recital was held on the 1st August by Mark Spalding in memory of local Lay Reader Harold Jack who's birthday it would have been.



The audience enjoy Mark Spalding's recital (Photo St Mary's and St Peter's Facebook page)

Memories of Harold's many years involvement in the church were shared and the fine music greatly enjoyed! Read more and see all the images of the event on the church [Facebook page](#).



Any news or upcoming events to share in the Bulletin?

If you have details of upcoming events, concerts, stories and photos of events around the diocese, please email the office on office@brechin.anglican.org.