# St Columba's

Scottish Episcopal Church

Largs

July & August 2016



"...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith ..."

Hebrews 12:1&2

The Scottish Episcopal Church is a self-governing province of the world-wide Anglican Communion. This is a family of over 70 million Christians in more than 160 countries. Our nearest relations are the Church of England, the Church in Wales and the Church of Ireland. Through the Porvoo agreement we are also in full communion with many other branches of the Church.

St Columba's in Largs, is one of over 60 Episcopal congregations that work and worship within the Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway. We are part of Ayrshire Region and our neighbours include congregations in Ardrossan, Dalry, Irvine, Troon, Kilmarnock, Prestwick, Ayr and Maybole.

The area covered by St Columba's includes Largs, Skelmorlie, Fairlie and West Kilbride and ecumenically we play a very active part in Largs Churches Together.

### **SERVICES AT ST COLUMBA'S**

Sunday: 8.00am Said Eucharist

11.00am Sung Eucharist (Choral Matins on second Sunday of the month)

**6.30pm Evening Prayer** (check noticeboard for details)

Refreshments are served in the hall following the 11.00am service

Wednesday: 10.00am Said Eucharist (Scottish Liturgy 1970)

Festivals and Saints Days as announced

The Daily Offices of **Morning Prayer** (8.00am) and **Evening Prayer** (5.00pm) are offered publicly in church on most weekdays.

Please check the church noticeboard for details.

The church building is also open for private prayer on most days.

Visit our website:

largs-church.co.uk

Dear Friends,

A clergy friend of mine recently wrote, "I've decided to switch off the radio. I have had enough bad news. I'll just go about the business of loving people instead of listening to any more of it!"

I know how she feels ... and I'm sure yo do too. These past few weeks seem to be filled with more than the usual quota of negativity - the senseless violence visited on so many in Orlando and, much nearer to home, on Jo Cox, one of our own members of parliament; the polarisation caused from the very long EU referendum campaign and coming from an even longer political contest on the other side of the Atlantic.

It can sometimes appear that we, as human beings, have learned nothing from our history; nothing from the clear fact that narrowmindedness and hatred never lead to life and health and peace.

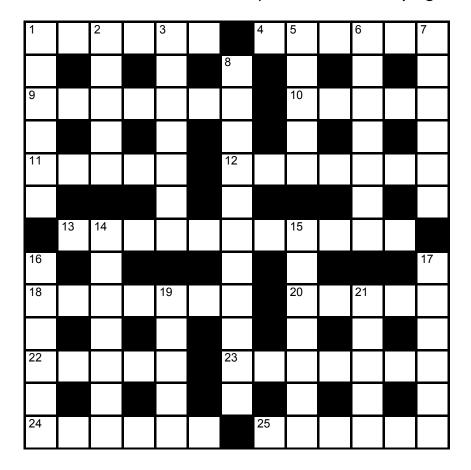
Once, long ago, when I was a student troubled by the unrest in the world and worried for the future of the Church, I spoke to a wise Anglican Franciscan Friar. "What should I do?" I asked. His answer was simple and immediate, "Go to Mass and say your prayers."

As people of faith in Christ's victory over sin and death, we are not called to something complicated - we are simply called to faithfulness.

This divided and needy world is in God's hands. Let us pray to be aligned to his holy will that we may be inspired to work for his kingdom of justice and of peace.

Yours in the faith, *Gordon* 

# Crossword Puzzle (see solution on page 12)



#### Across

- Beautiful Jewess of Old Testament book (6)
- 4 Day celebrating St Peter's deliverance from prison, also a Scottish quarter day (6)
- 9 Native of former part of Palestine (7)
- 10 Apostle (5)
- 11 Worship (5)
- 12 One living in Rome or Florence for example (7)
- 13 Bliss, holiness (11)
- 18 Italian city destroyed by volcanic eruption (7)
- 20 Dance (5)
- Members of the church who are not clergy (5)
- 23 Another word for skies (7)
- 24 Views (6)
- More untrue (6)

#### Down

- 1 Prophet (6)
- 2 Trunk of a human body (5)
- 3 Blind, like Samson "in Gaza" (Aldous Huxley) (7)
- 5 First letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 6 A variant spelling of Matthew (7)
- 7 Powerful (6)
- 8 Monarchs of old were believed to have this authority (6,5)
- 14 Sheep giving birth (7)
- 15 Buddhism's state of grace (7)
- 16 Fruits, one of which Eve used to tempt Adam in a biblical allegory (6)
- 17 Roman ruler in the time of Christ (6)
- 19 Country, the Holy Family's refuge from Herod's Massacre of the infants (5)
- 21 Encounters (5)

### Year's Mind

### Please remember before God those who have died and whose year's mind falls in July and August

### JULY

1st Mary Thompson, Harry Powell, Hector Stevenson

2<sup>nd</sup> David Cuthbertson

3<sup>rd</sup> Scott Hands

8th Phyllis Jenkins

9th Rita Branford

10th Gus Angus

15th Lucy Watt

17th Michael Sinclair-Scott, Lillian Meech

21st Dick Stewart

23<sup>rd</sup> William Caldwell

24th Rachel Lyell

25th Janet McTavish

26th Ann Guthrie

28th Karen Tweddle

29th Anne Bills

31st Florence Biddulph

### **AUGUST**

1<sup>st</sup> Lillian Binns

4th James Fox, Betty Russell, Irene Gillies

15th Marjorie Paterson

16th Allen Potter

19th Joan Johnson

22<sup>nd</sup> Hilda Sharp, Aydiel (ADL) Ferguson, Bob Evans

25<sup>th</sup> John Angell

31st Laura Binns, Kieran Binns, Elizabeth Davis

## From the Registers

**Funeral:** Mrs Dorothy Evans - 9 June 2016



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Richard and Celia Walker who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 2 July 2016.

Congratulations to Gordon and Audrey Hodgson who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 9 June 2016.

Thank You

Gordon and Audrey would like to thank the congregation for their cards, good wishes and prayers on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding anniversary.

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Thank you to those who came to, and assisted in any way with, the 'Picnic by the Prom' event. Saturday, 18 June was such a glorious day and a few from our own congregation welcomed over 40 visitors from the congregations of our Ayrshire Region.

Together we enjoyed time to be together over food and drink, games and shared the open-air Eucharist on the north lawn.

Thanks to William for organising the 'Angel Drive' social evening and to all of those who came to the evening itself on Friday, 24 June.

The Rector

# **Dates for your diary**



4 - 8 July - 10.00am - 12.00noon Children's Summer Mission 'Stetsonville'

5 July - 7.00pm Vestry Meeting

10 July - 11.00am MAP review with the Bishop

13 July - 7.00pm Book Group

16 July - 9.00am Car Boot Sale

20 August - 9.00am Car Boot Sale

22 August - 10.00am Largs Monday Toddlers begins again

1 September - 2.00pm Contemplative Meditation Group

4 September - 4.00pm LCT open-air service at Viking Festival

6 September - 7.00pm Vestry Meeting

7 September - 6.00pm Columba's Creatives begins again

8 September - 7.30pm Regional Council Meeting at Troon

10 September - Congregational Trip to Rosslyn Chapel

17 September - Fr Alec's Golden Jubilee Service

19 September - 2.00pm Pastoral team Meeting

### M.A.P. Review

This summer sees the ending of our fourth year of involvement in the Mission Action Planning process. Members of the Mission Action Planning Group will meet soon to reflect on what has been achieved and to arrange for the forthcoming review. Bishop Gregor will come to our congregation for worship on Sunday, 10 July, and we will stay on for our annual M.A.P. Review meeting in the hall following the service.

## Compost

There is still plenty of compost behind the hall. If anyone would like some John and I will bag it for them if they contact me on 673370 or <a href="mailto:alicemacdonald@live.co.uk">alicemacdonald@live.co.uk</a> or in person.

A real bargain at only £2 a bag or £5 for 3 bags!

Thanks, Alice



# "Smile please"!

You may have noticed that we display photographs of members of our congregation on the church board in the hall. This initiative was undertaken some years ago now and the pictures could do with being updated. Photographs of new members of the congregation would be a welcome addition to those already shown. There will be an opportunity to have yours

included over the next few Sundays following the 11.00am service. Please speak to either the Rector or to William about this.

The Rector

### Scottish Episcopal Institute placement

Ros Brett is a Lay Reader currently in her third year of ministry training with the Scottish Episcopal Institute. I have accepted a request that Ros come to St Columba's as one of two congregations that will form part of her research. The question she will explore will be 'What is the purpose of the sermon?' and Ros will be looking to speak to both the Rector and members of the congregation is this regard.

I hope that having Ros among us will be fruitful both to her and to us as together we reflect on the ministry of preaching within our tradition. *The Rector* 

### **North Ayrshire Food Bank**

In April this year Citizens Advice in North Ayrshire announced the closure of a number of its local offices including the office in Largs where we hold a weekly Foodbank service. This has naturally had a massive effect on the service we deliver locally and we were left at very short notice scrambling for new premises. Thankfully we have been given until August now to vacate the CAB premises on Boyd Street and a very generous offer has been made to the Foodbank from a local hairdresser where a vacant shop has been identified for us to operate out of. This property is still conveniently on Boyd Street on the same side of the street as CAB (across from the Brisbane Evangelical Church). This should be from mid- August.

May I take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you who have given so generously. Without your generosity we simply couldn't operate.

If you have any questions regarding the Foodbank please feel free speak to me in church or call me.

Thank you again, *Vicky Johnston* 

# Items you might think of placing in the Foodbank donations box

(at the back of church):
Tinned meat, Tinned vegetables,
Tinned puddings,
Tinned potatoes, Pasta, Rice,
Long life fruit juices,
Long life milk, Tea bags,
Coffee and Sugar.



### **STETSONVILLE**



This year's children's Summer Mission has a Pioneering 'Wild West' theme. In 'Stetsonville' we are all blazing a new trail. Each day we will hear stories of those who were pioneers for God. The Holiday Club is free and open to all children who are already attending Primary School.

There will be fun, games, crafts, stories, line-dancing, quizzes and drama.

The Summer Mission takes place from 10.00am - 12.00(high)noon from Monday, 4 - Friday, 8 July.

Remember to tell any children you know that they would be very welcome to attend this exciting adventure.

The Rector



## **Contemplative Meditation**

Meditation at 2.00pm followed by tea/coffee. These meetings take place in the Rectory on the first Thursday of the month:

1 September, 6 October, 3 November and 1 December.

All are welcome and no previous experience is needed. For more information, contact:

Revd Liz O'Ryan: 01475 529835, 07949 667 135 lizoryasn@talktalk.net

## July Prayer Calendar

1: Gregor our Bishop

2: Retired Clergy

4: Stetsonville Holiday Club

5: Children's work

6: Young Families

7: Holiday Club Leaders

8: All Parents

9: Thanksgiving for summer mission

11: (St Benedict) Religious Communities

12: An end to sectarianism

13: Justice and Peace

14: Fairtrade

15: Local industries

16: Visitors to our Car Boot Sale

18: The frail elderly

19: Those visited by our Pastoral Team

20: Those struggling with addiction

21: Those in our Hospices

22: (Mary Magdalene) Women at risk

23: Those ill at home

25: (St James) College of Bishops

26: All Carers

27: Holidaymakers

28: The recently bereaved

29: Our Friends

30: Those we find it difficult to love

## **August Prayer Calendar**

1: Clergy of the Ayrshire Region

2: All voyagers and travellers

3: Those who make their living from the land

4: Those who make their living from the sea

5: All doctors

6: (The Transfiguration) A glimpse of God's glory

8: All surgeons

9: (Mary Sumner) The Mothers' Union

10: Those with whom we worship

11: Our neighbours

12: The housebound

13: All nurses

15: (Blessed Virgin Mary) St Mary's Cathedral

16: Home Communicants

17: All who worry for the future

18: M.A.P. Group

19: The depressed

20: Visitors to our Car Boot Sale

22: Largs Monday Toddler Group

23: Those struggling financially

24: (St Bartholomew) Local Hospitals

25: Local Schools and Colleges

26: Those who regret the past

27: Visitors to Largs

29: The Cathedral Chapter

30: Vacant Charges

31: (St Aidan) All pigrims



## Cross word Puzzle solution (from page 4)

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Across: 1 Esther, 4 Lammas, 9 Israeli, 10 Peter, 11 Adore, 12 Italian, 13 Blessedness, 18 Pompeii, 20 Rumba, 22 Laity, 23 Heavens, 24 Sights, 25 Falser.

Down: 1 Elijah, 2 Torso, 3 Eyeless, 5 Alpha, 6 Mathias, 7 Strong, 8 Divine right, 14 Lambing, 15 Nirvana, 16 Apples, 17 Caesar, 19 Egypt, 21 Meets.



## Please check these rotas and note if you are included.

Please feel free to swap with others to ensure duties are covered for all services.

# **Services and Rotas for July 2016**

Day		Services and Sunday readings	Duty at Sunday 11.00am	
Sunday, 3 Pentecost 7		8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Isa 66:10-14; Gal 6:1-16; Lk 10:1-11, 16-20	Servers: Vicky & William Reader: Joan Hutton Intercessor: Alice MacDonal	
Wednesday,	, 6	10.00am Said Eucharist <i>(1970)</i>		
Sunday, 1 Pentecost 8 (MAP Revi	}	8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Deut 30:9-14; Col 1:1-14; Lk 10:25-37	Server: Chris Evans Reader: May Kidd Intercessor: Ken Hinshalwood	
Wednesday,	, 13	10.00am Said Eucharist (1970)		
Sunday, 1 Pentecost 9		8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Eucharist Together <i>Gen 18:1-10a; Lk 10:38-42</i>	Servers: Vicky & Alice Reader: Jennifer Fitzgibbon Intercessor: Ray Young	
Wednesday,	, 20			
Sunday, 2 Pentecost 1		8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Gen 18:20-32; Col 2:6-19; Lk 11:1-13	Server: Hilary Moran Reader: Tim Johnston Intercessor: William Clark-Ferguson	
Wednesday,	, 27	10.00am Said Eucharist <i>(1970)</i>		
Sunday, 3 Pentecost 1		8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Ecc 1:2, 12-14 & 2:18-23; Col 3:1-11; Lk 12:13-21	Server: Hilary Moran Reader: Ken Hinshalwood Intercessor: The Rector	

## **Services and Rotas for August 2016**

Day	Services and Sunday readings	Duty at Sunday 11.00am
Wednesday, 3	10.00am Said Eucharist (1970)	
Sunday, 7 Pentecost 12	8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Gen 15:1-6; Heb 11:1-3, 8-16; Lk 12:32-40	Servers: Chris Evans Reader: Stuart Robertson Intercessor: Ray Young
Wednesday, 10	10.00am Said Eucharist <i>(1970)</i>	
Sunday, 14 Pentecost 13	8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Jer 23:23-29; Heb 11:29-12:2; Lk 12:49-56	Server: Alice MacDonald Reader: Gill Beresford Intercessor: Frances Robertson
Wednesday, 17	10.00am Said Eucharist (1970)	
Sunday, 21 Pentecost 14	8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Eucharist Together Isa 58:9-14; Lk 13:10-17	Servers: Vicky Johnston Reader: Joan Hutton Intercessor: Alison Jones
Wednesday, 24	10.00am Said Eucharist (1970)	
Sunday, 28 Pentecost 15	8.00am Said Eucharist 11.00am Sung Eucharist Ecc 10:12-18; Heb 13:1-8, 15-16; Lk 14:1, 7-14	Server: William Clark-Ferguson Reader: Elspeth Robertson Intercessor: The Rector
Wednesday, 31	10.00am Said Eucharist <i>(1970)</i>	

## **Readers for September 2016**

4th: May Kidd, 11th: Aubrey McCance

18th: Ken Hinshalwood, 25th: William Clark-Ferguson

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### The Vestry

Elected by the congregation to work with the Rector in the administration of the church. Meets in January, March, September, November and as required.

Chair	Rector	673143
Secretary	Ray Young	672410
Treasurer and Lay Representative	Chris Evans	673757
Rector's Warden	Linda Young	672410
People's Warden	Vicky Johnston	329722
Members	Gordon Hodgson	674008
	Eleanor Witt	676322
	Jane Evans	673757
	Elsie Hinshalwood	686984

(Alt Lay Representative - Hilary Moran Tel: 686213)

### Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Confessions by arrangement with the Rector

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The deadline for the September magazine is Sunday 21 August. magazine articles should be sent to gordon.fyfe@virginmedia.com

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### Life at St Columba's

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<b>Fundraising Committee</b>	William Clark-Ferguson	07835 454534			
Protection of Vulnerable Groups  Appointed by the Vestry and approved by	Linda Young by the Bishop	672410			
Mothers' Union	Hilary Moran	686213			
Church Hall Diary  Deals with hall bookings	May Walker	673873			
Flowers	Audrey Hodgson	674008			
Sidesmen	Vicky Johnston	329722			
Christian Aid	Nessie Rankin	672357			
Representatives on inter-church Christian Aid (	Jane Evans Committee	673757			
Regional Council	William Clark-Ferguson	07835 454534			
Intercessions Rota	Frances Robertson	686947			
Altar Servers	Alice MacDonald	673370			
Readers Rota	Rector	673143			
If you would like to join any of the above, please see Frances, Alice or the Rector					
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Pastoral Visitors in the congregation Eileen Binns (Coordinator, tel: 673580) Elsie Hinshalwood, Joan Hutton and May Kidd