Welcome to the Scottish Episcopal Church part of the Worldwide Anglican Communion SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES IN ANNANDALE

ST JOHN'S, ANNAN, 9.30am ST. JOHN'S, MOFFAT 9.30am ALL SAINTS, GRETNA 11.00am ST JOHN'S, EASTRIGGS 11.00am ALL SAINTS, LOCKERBIE 11.15am

20 MAY 2018 THE DAY OF PENTECOST

This morning's officiants

Annan (1982 Liturgy) & Eastriggs (1982 Liturgy) - Revd Dr S Ballard Gretna (1982 Liturgy) - Revd J Stevenson Moffat (1982 Liturgy) & Lockerbie (1982 Liturgy) - Revd M Callaghan

THE COLLECT

O God, who on the day of Pentecost enlightened the hearts of your people by the fire of the Holy Spirit: give us wisdom and understanding, and lead us into all truth, that your Church may be kept in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

THE READINGS

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Response to Psalm 104:25-28, 37: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth.

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

John 15:27-27, 16:4b-15

Jesus spoke to his disciples: When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you

have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. I have said these this to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please keep in your prayers Bishop Gregor Duncan;

GENERAL NOTICES

Bishop Gregor announced at Synod that he will retire from office on 11 October this year. We wish him health and happiness and keep him in our prayers.

THIS AFTERNOON: ALL SAINTS GRETNA AFTERNOON TEA FROM 2.30PM

Regional Council All Saints Challoch Tues 22 May Bring & Share Lunch 12.30pm/meeting 1.30pm

Visitation of The Lord High Commissioner of the Church of Scotland His Grace, The Duke of Baccleuch KT KCB on Wednesday 23 May to All Saints, Gretna and St John the Evangelist, Eastriggs

ST JOHN'S EASTRIGGS SPRING FAIR
Saturday 26 May 2.00pm-4.00pm. Tremendous Stalls plus Plants

ANNAN, ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST www.annan.church.scot - Charity No SC014491
St John's, Annan is now on facebook

Thurs 31 May 7.00pm: Vestry Meeting

EASTRIGGS ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST www.eastriggs.church.scot -Charity SC022050

GRETNA, ALL SAINTS www.gretna.church.scot - Charity No SC022566

Every Wednesday All Saints Coffee & Chat from 10.00am

LOCKERBIE, ALL SAINTS www.lockerbieanglican.org - Charity No SC005772

Sunday 3 June: The Kirkin' of the Cornet. We are pleased to host again this year this important event in the life our community.

Every Thursday 4.00pm: Evening Prayer and Holy Communion Lockerbie Salvation Army Food Bank - A box for donations at back of the church

MOFFAT, ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST www.stjohnsmoffat.org - Charity No SC00318

Wed 23 May 1000pm: Holy Communion & Discussion. Readings James 4:13-17, Mark 9:38-41

First Base Food Bank - Box for food donations & new, clean usable utensils etc is in porch

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