

**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**

8 JULY 2018

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

This morning's officiants

Annan (1982 Liturgy) & Gretna (1982 Liturgy) - Revd M Callaghan
Eastriggs (1982 Liturgy, Reserved Sacrament) - Revd J Macleod
Moffat (1982 Liturgy) & Lockerbie (1982 Liturgy) - Revd Dr S Ballard

THE COLLECT

O Lord, let the world be ordered in peace, according to your will: that your people may be free to worship you with joy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

THE READINGS

Ezekiel 2:1-5

The heavens were opened, and I saw a vision of God. When I saw this I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Response to Psalm 123: **Our eyes look to the Lord our God until he shows us his mercy.**

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6:1-13

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place

will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please keep in your prayers Bishop Gregor Duncan


GENERAL NOTICES

WORSHIP LEADER'S TRAINING COURSE

The Diocese is offering a training course for new Worship Leaders in the Galloway Region. The course is over five evening sessions at St Ninian's, Castle Douglas beginning on Monday 6th August from 7.00pm to 9.00pm and continues every Monday with the last session on 3rd September. Bishop Gregor and Canon Gordon Fyfe will be leading the course. Candidates should have the support of their Rector and Vestry, and names must be submitted to the Diocese by 30 July. Those from our congregations who are interested should contact the Rector for more details.

The Revd Martin Callaghan will be on holiday from Monday 23 July returning on Tuesday 31 July.


THIS SUNDAY AT ALL SAINTS, GRETNA Afternoon Tea from 2.30pm

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

Wed 11 July 9.45am: Holy Communion 1970 Liturgy

Thurs 19 July 7.00pm: Vestry meeting

Kate's Kitchen Food Bank: A donations box for non-perishable foods & utensils is available.

EASTRIGGS ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST www.eastriggs.church.scot - Charity SC022050
St John's, Eastriggs is now on facebook 

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

THIS MORNING: We welcome the family and friends of Milana Jakaityte-Bird on her formal admission to Holy Communion.

Sun 15 July: Our Service will be a special service for Sea Sunday led by Mr Peter Carey, Worship Leader

Wed 27 July 7.30pm: All Saints Bingo at the Richard Greenhow Centre

Every Wednesday All Saints Coffee & Chat from 10.00am

LOCKERBIE, ALL SAINTS www.lockerbieanglican.org - Charity No SC005772
Thurs 12 July 10.30am: Vestry meeting

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 4 July 10.00pm: Communion & Discussion Readings Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12, Matthew 10:1-7.

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

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