## St. Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church, Gatehouse of Fleet 14<sup>th</sup> September Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Celebrant and Preacher: Rev'd Alison Hudson

<u>Please pray for</u> Joyce and Rob Thacker, Laura Durling, Sally-Anne and Peter Madeley, Carol Ducker, Rowan Huggitt, Barbara Graham, Sonia Perry and +Gregor Duncan.

<u>Welcome</u> to this service. Please do stay for refreshments afterwards. Please be advised that biscuits and cakes may contain allergens.

<u>Pause for Prayer</u> Each Wednesday from 9.30-10am there will be an opportunity to 'Pause for Prayer' in St Mary's Church. Please do join us any time you are free, for more information speak to Revd Alison.

<u>Festival Planning</u> following our 'Pause for Prayer' last Wednesday morning, a few of us gathered to consider a theme and format for our Advent and Christmas services. Following our gift from the Bishop of a stone with the prophetic word 'hope', we will offer an Advent Course that underpins our understanding of Christian hope, and for Christmas, 'as a people of hope', our theme will be 'the gift of Christ for everyone'. Please do speak to Gill if you have any particular thoughts or ideas. Our next planning meeting will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October following 'Pause for Prayer' to which anyone is welcome to attend.

<u>Art History Lunch Talks</u> by Dr Jo Chapman Campbell continue on Wednesdays in September from 12-1pm at Greyfriars Church, Kirkcudbright. Bring your own lunch, refreshments provided. All are welcome. See the poster for more information

YMCA Gatehouse AGM Gatehouse YMCA will be holding its Annual General Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm at 5, Digby Street, Gatehouse. We will be looking back over the previous year and also reviewing the proposed new direction for the Drop in. The board will be asking the membership to consider changes in the constitution in preparation for this new undertaking. This is an important meeting as we continue to discern the way forward by listening to the community. At this time of change for YMCA Gatehouse, the Board would like to express its appreciation for the support of our local churches.

<u>Confirmation Service</u> On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October we will have a joint Confirmation Service at Greyfriars Church at 10.30am. Please pray for those candidates who will be preparing for this special occasion.

<u>Gift Aid and Giving</u> If you are a visitor or come occasionally to St.Mary's, and are a taxpayer, you may want to complete one of the green envelopes in the pew, (not forgetting to include your name and address) in order that we can reclaim the tax. If you would rather give a regular amount, either by standing order or by weekly envelope, please speak to the Treasurer, David Hart. David can be contacted by email at david21gatehouse@icloud.com or phone on 01557 814294

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