

# St. Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church, Gatehouse of Fleet

26<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## Bible Sunday

Celebrant and Preacher: Rev'd Alison Hudson

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

**In Remembrance and with thanksgiving** for the life of Catharine Kaye (Tinny) Please pray for Margaret, her sister, and others of the family

**Pause for Prayer** 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.

**Festival Planning** a few of us have gathered to consider our Advent and Christmas services. In light of our gift from the Bishop of a stone with the prophetic word 'hope', it is proposed that we hold an Advent Course on that theme on Wednesdays 3<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December from 10-11am in St Mary's Church, following the Pause for Prayer. Our Christmas theme will be 'the gift of Christ for everyone'. Further details will follow, but please do speak to Gill if you have any particular thoughts or ideas.

**Choral Evensong** This evening, Susan and Psallite will lead us in Harvest Evensong at 6pm in St Mary's Church. There will be refreshments and everyone is welcome. Donations received for St.Mary's.

**Table Top Sale** On Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> November 10-12noon at The Mill organised by the YMCA. St.Mary's has taken table to sell bric a brac left from the White Elephant stall in the summer. Please come and support us and have a cup of coffee too.

**Church AGM** takes place next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Please collect your envelope this morning that includes all reports and if you can take them to those who aren't here today, that would be most helpful. At this important annual meeting we re-appoint our Vestry members. We need a Lay Representative to attend Regional Council and Diocesan Synod meetings, to which lifts can be given. We also have vacancies for regular Vestry members. Please do consider whether this is something that you could offer to the church at this time.

**All Souls Day** If you would like to pray for someone please print their names on the list in the porch and they will be remembered in the Intercessions at our Sunday service on 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**New website** our new updated website is now up and running, please do look through and let Revd Alison have any feedback, as well as any good quality photographs you are willing to share. The address is the same as before - [www.greyfriarsstmarys.org.uk](http://www.greyfriarsstmarys.org.uk)

**Thank you** to everyone who helped in our thanksgiving for Harvest, decorating church, auctioning the produce and arranging for a splendid lunch at the Mill. £166 was raised for the Stewartry Food Bank.

**Gift Aid and Giving** 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](mailto:david21gatehouse@icloud.com) or phone on 01557 814294

**Rest Days** Please note that Revd Alison has changed one of her rest days from Friday to Monday.

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