



St. Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church, Gatehouse of Fleet
Sunday 3rd May 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Easter
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev'd Alison Hudson

Please pray for Laura Durling, Sally-Anne and Peter Madeley, Carol Ducker, Rowan Huggitt, Barbara Graham, Sonia Perry, Dee DuRose, Revd Canon Stephen Hazlett and Judy Parker

Pause for Prayer each Wednesday we meet at Denis & Judy's at 10am for about half an hour to pause and pray together. Do join us when you can.

Church Social for St Mary's & Greymfriars Churches. You are invited to Drinks & Nibbles on Saturday 9th May 2026 at 11.30am to 2pm at Bardristane House, Gatehouse of Fleet, DG7 2HA. The home of Beverley Vaux.

Stewartry Food Bank the next collection will be Tuesday, 12th May. Items can be left at Gatehouse Post Office. Monetary donations can also be sent via Revd Alison. At this time of rising costs the food bank are giving out considerably more parcels and therefore are in need of greater support. Thank you for all that you are able to do to support them.

Removal of Pews following permission for experimental re-ordering, we will now proceed to request permanent permission. Once that is granted we will replace the piece of carpet in that area and re-fashion the seat cushions.

Summer Outing Would you be interested in a trip to Levens Hall, Kendal in Cumbria? – it's a 16th century home with world famous topiary gardens. A coach trip is planned for **Tuesday 23rd June**, picking up from Gatehouse of Fleet and Kirkcudbright. The approximate cost would be £35 per person which includes entry to the garden. In order to gauge support and book the coach, please indicate interest to Helen Wood by 30th May – 01557 815015.

Gift Aid and Giving If you are a visitor, and you are a tax payer, 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. As we can no longer pay in cheques in Gatehouse, if you can avoid making donations by cheque it would be much appreciated. If you are able to give a regular amount, by standing order or weekly envelope, please contact the treasurer Linda Gaston on 07353 283870 or lgaston57@icloud.com

The following events take place at Greymfriars Church in Kirkcudbright, all are warmly welcome:

Art History Lunch Time Talks Dr Jo Chapman-Campbell will bring us another series of lunch talks on **Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May**, from 12-1pm. These talks will cover the Lindisfarne Gospels, The Ruthwell Cross, Pictish carving and culture and the Book of Kells. Entry by donation, bring your own lunch, refreshments provided.

National Fishing Remembrance Day hosted by The Fishermen's Mission. There will be an outdoor service to remember those who have lost their lives while bringing home the catch on **Sunday 10th May**, 2.30pm at Kirkcudbright Harbour Square.

Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival As part of the festival Greymfriars is hosting **Flute & Guitar Duo** Rebecca Carson & Anne Chaurand, on **Sunday 24th May at 4pm**. Tickets are £12, bookable online at www.artsdg.org.uk or call 01387 253383. There are festival brochures at the back of church.

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