



St. Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church, Gatehouse of Fleet
Sunday 23rd August 2026 – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
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 and Judy Parker.

Information for visitors Welcome! We are glad you are here with us. There are toilet facilities at the back of church. Please let a member of the welcoming team know if you would prefer a large print service or hymn book, or require gluten free wafers.

Joint Service next week's service is at **Greyfriars Church**, Sunday, 30th August at **10.30am**

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

Kirkandrews Kirk near Borgue are having their summer series of ecumenical Sunday evening services at 7pm. All are welcome. This evening David Preston is leading the service.

Choral Evensong to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Ordination of Rev'd John Martin, there will be Evensong, and refreshments, at 6pm in St. Mary's Church on **Sunday, 6th September**

Natural Church Development Please take a letter and leaflet that explains what this is and invites you to take part in a survey which we will do together, over a cream tea on **Wednesday 9th September at 4pm** in St Mary's Church.

Joining our Vestries together The vestries of St Mary's and Greyfriars have agreed and formally informed the Bishop that we wish to form one joint Vestry for the two charges. At our **joint Vestry meeting on 10th September** we will begin working on our new joint constitution which will need to be adopted at the AGMs in November. If you have any concerns or questions, please speak to Revd Alison in the first instance, or Revd Elizabeth Breakey, our Rural Dean, who is also going through this same process with her two charges.

Gift Aid Submission would anyone be willing to undertake the annual gift aid submission to the Inland Revenue on behalf of St Mary's Church? Please speak to Revd Alison or our Treasurer Linda Gaston if you are able to help lgaston57@icloud.com

Events in Kirkcudbright, to which St Mary's congregation are warmly invited to join with:

Ecumenical Faith-sharing Group Starting Tuesday 8th September, 2 pm – 3.30 pm in Greyfriars House, a new monthly meeting will be held (and thereafter every second Tuesday of the month). Lectionary readings around the time of each meeting, poetry and icons will be used as materials for reflection. Different, creative ways of praying will be introduced to help us to gently open up to God and to deepen our faith. If you would like to participate, please speak to Revd Alison for more information.

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

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