St. Mary's Scottish Episcopal Church, Gatehouse of Fleet
Sunday 18th October 2026 – Harvest Festival
Celebrant and Preacher: Revd 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.

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.

Harvest Festival will be celebrated today, followed by a lunch at The Ship for those who have signed up. Our auction of donated harvest items will take place after coffee and the amount raised will be shared between St Mary's Church for the replacement of the carpet in our coffee area and the Stewartry Food bank.

One World Week Coffee Morning, Saturday 24th October, 10.30-12 in the Parish Church Hall. Donations will go to Christian Aid and there will be Traidcraft goods for sale. Please do support this Churches Together event if you are able to.

Charitable Giving There will be further opportunities to support both global and local charities during December at our Gift Service on 6th December when we bring unwrapped children's gifts for distribution by the Salvation Army, at a coffee morning at Helen Wood's with proceeds from a raffle also to go to the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal, and then at our Family Carol Service on Christmas Eve when our collection will go to support the work of Aberlour Children's Charity.

All Souls – please add to the list in the foyer the names of those you would like to be remembered in prayer during our service on 1st November.

Our **Annual Church Meeting** will be held after the morning service on Sunday 29th November. Papers and the new draft joint constitution will be circulated in advance of this.

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

Groups that meet in Greyfriars House, to which members of St Mary's are warmly welcome
Craft Café 2-4pm every fourth Thursday. Crafting, chat and refreshments all provided.
Bible Study 10.30am-12noon every fourth Friday. Led by Bishop Gordon.
Faith-sharing Group 2 pm-3.30 pm every second Tuesday. Different, creative ways of praying will be introduced to help us to gently open up to God and to deepen our faith.
Lunchtime Art Talks by Dr Jo Chapman-Campbell, Wednesdays 21st, 28th October, 4th, 11th, 18th November 12-1pm in Greyfriars House. **Books of the Bible illustrated in art.** Bring your own lunch, refreshments provided. Donations towards the upkeep of Greyfriars House.

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