



St Andrew's Cathedral Inverness Notices for Sunday 28 June 2015

Pentecost 5

Dear Friends

When we hear today's gospel we tend to focus on the story of Jesus bringing the young daughter of Jairus (a prominent member of the local synagogue) back to life. However 'hidden' in the passage is the account of Jesus healing the woman who had been bleeding for many years, and who was widely regarded as being beyond any hope of cure. The woman would have been regarded as unclean by the Jews, on account of the discharge of a bodily fluid. What society regards as unclean, Jesus sees as something worth saving.

Remember – Jesus shed his life blood on the cross to save you and me – Alleluia!

Services this coming week:

Monday 29 June – 13 th Week of Ordinary Time <i>PETER, APOSTLE</i>	12:30	Eucharist
Tuesday 30 June	09:00 17:00 17:15	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Eucharist
Wednesday 1 July <i>Serf, Bishop, c 500</i>	08:15 08:30 17:00	Morning Prayer Eucharist Evening Prayer (SPB)
Thursday 2 July	08:15 08:30 10:15 17:00	Morning Prayer Eucharist Holy Communion (RS) Evening Prayer
Friday 3 July <i>THOMAS, APOSTLE</i>	08:15 11:15 17:00	Morning Prayer Eucharist Evening Prayer
Saturday 4 July	17:00	Eucharist
Sunday 5 July PENTECOST 6 (14th Sunday of Ordinary Time)	08:15 09:15 11:00 17:30	Eucharist Eucharist with hymns Sung Eucharist Evening Prayer

Don't forget – Choral Evensong TONIGHT at 5.30pm.

URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP:

The Old Boys School is open for business during the summer months – Monday to Friday from 10.30am to 3.30pm, for the sale of teas and coffees, scones and cakes, filled rolls and home-made soups etc. This is no 'private club' but a place of warm welcome and wholesome good-value refreshment for all who visit the Cathedral or pass by. **More volunteers are urgently required for this important work – particularly in the afternoon.**

We are now reaching 'peak season' with takings approaching £1,000 per week. We cannot afford to close early because of lack of helpers. Not only does this deprive the Cathedral of much needed revenue, it lets our customers down! Please give Peter a ring on **01463 798075** if you can help. Helpers do not need to be members of the Cathedral family.

Annual Summer Foodbank Collection:

This will take place at Inshes Tesco in Inverness on **Thursday 2nd, Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th July**. The organisers are looking for volunteers who might be able to spare an hour or two on either the Friday or Saturday afternoon, between 2pm and 5pm. This involves handing out our shopping lists to customers entering the store, and thanking them for donations, which they can place in a specific trolley on their way out of the store. If you would like to help please contact Lorna Dempster, Highland Foodbank Co-ordinator (Inverness & Nairn), Blythwood Care, Highland Deephaven, Evanton, Ross-Shire, IV16 9XJ, Tel. 01349 830777, Mob. 07875 332696. Email: 'lorna.dempster@blythwood.org'

Picnic and Praise at Glenurquhart Castle:

The three Churches in Glenurquhart invite you and your friends to Songs of Praise and the Good News of Jesus with Alex Macdonald singer/songwriter and story teller, with his band. Supported by local choir and musicians. Urquhart Castle, Drumnadrochit. 7.15-8.30 pm **Sunday 26th July 2015**. Gates open at 6.00 pm, admission free. Contact Ruth Macleod 01456 450112 or email at 'praise@gmail.com'.

Interfaith Peace Conference:

The theme of the conference will be *Religion, Reconciliation and Peace: Making a difference through dialogue*. It will take place on **Sunday 9th August, 1.30-6pm** at Thistle Hotel, Millburn Road, Inverness IV2 3TR. If you would like to attend this conference you are asked to register before 27th July 2015 by sending your name and contact details to 'calum@interfaithscotland.org' or telephone 0141 420 6982.

Learning about Islam with Dr Anthony Allison (University of Edinburgh):

A residential weekend will be held at the Conforti Institute (Calder Avenue, Coatbridge ML5 4JS) from **Friday 14 – Sunday 16 August**. This will provide an opportunity to consider and discuss Muslim-Christian Relations. Topics will include an introduction to Islam, and an exploration of the Qur'an and its formation. The full cost of the residential weekend is £150, but Conforti are offering us a 50% subsidy, so the cost is therefore just £75. Please write to 'ismth@freeuk.com' to book a place.

Christian Aid Week:

As usual we are indebted to a small group of stalwarts from the Cathedral who do the house to house collections. This year they were particularly challenged by the appalling weather! The sum total of our efforts was **£730.58**. Many thanks to all those involved.

Happy Sunday

Peter

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