



St Andrew's Cathedral Inverness

Notices for Sunday 5 June 2016

Pentecost 3 / Trinity 2

Dear Friends

Our Gospel reading today is a fairly short one, but it is certainly makes one sit up and listen! We hear about how Jesus raised a widow's son from the dead. The widow's situation was serious. She had lost her husband, and now her only son had died – her last means of support. Perhaps she was past the age of childbearing and would not marry again. Unless a relative came to her aid, her future was bleak.

We read in Romans 6.23 *'the wages of sin is death.'* If God had not sent his only Son into the world our future would have been bleak. However, Jesus has come to our aid. By his death Jesus has destroyed death, and by his rising from the dead we are restored to everlasting life. Our future is no longer bleak!

I have really taken the well-known quote from Romans out of context. The whole of verse 23 says this, *'For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.'* Our Gospel reading tells us that *'The dead man sat up and began to speak.'* We shouldn't just 'sit up and listen' we too should 'sit up and speak'. God has indeed looked favourably on his people! We should spread the good news about Jesus Christ throughout Inverness and all the surrounding country.

Monday 6 June (Week 10 – Year 2)	12:30	Eucharist
Tuesday 7 June	09:00	Morning Prayer
	17:00	Evening Prayer
	17:15	Eucharist
Wednesday 8 June <i>Ephrem the Syrian, Deacon and Teacher of the Faith, 373</i>	08:15	Morning Prayer
	08:30	Eucharist
	17:00	Evening Prayer (SPB)
Thursday 9 June <i>COLUMBA OF IONA, ABBOT, 597</i>	08:15	Morning Prayer
	08:30	Eucharist
	10:15	Holy Communion (RS)
	17:00	Evening Prayer
Friday 10 June	08.15	Morning Prayer
	11:15	Eucharist
	17:00	Evening Prayer
Saturday 11 June <i>BARNABAS, APOSTLE</i>	17:00	Eucharist
Sunday 12 June Pentecost 4	08:15	Eucharist (1970 Rite)
	09:15	Eucharist with hymns
	11:00	Sung Eucharist
	17:30	Gaelic Eucharist

Report on the Poetry Afternoon – (which was held on 15 May):

This proved to be a very entertaining and fun event and £115 was raised for the Cathedral roof fund. Many thanks to all those who took part and also to those who helped. We had too many poems for one afternoon and ran out of time, and so will have another similar event in the future.

Bishop Eden School Summer Fete:

You are warmly invited to attend the fete on **Friday 10 June between 2.30pm and 3.30pm** in the School Playground. There will be the usual attractions – bric a brac, baking, treasure hunt, wet sponges at P7's bouncy castle etc. Sounds fun!

Prayer Meeting at St John's Church, Southside Road:

There will be a Prayer Group Meeting in the Church Vestry on **Friday 10 June at 7.00pm**. All welcome.

Wilder Ness – an all age eco group with a social conscience:

Come and join us as we celebrate our beautiful river. Explore the wildlife and join us in keeping it amazing. A meeting is planned for **Saturday 11 June from 11.00am to 1.00pm** at Trinity Church Hall, Huntly Street, Inverness. Contact Dlynch@churchofscotland.org.uk for further information.

Northern Lights – Musick Fyne:

Music Fyne (voices and cello, organ, clarinet, and harps) will perform ancient and modern music for voices from the North including music for St Magnus and St Columba, works by Paul Mealor, Morten, Lauridsen, Ola Gjeilo, Grieg and Sibelius and newly commissioned pieces by Gordon Tocher, Robert Wallace and D James Ross. The concert will be held in Inverness Cathedral on **Wednesday 15 June at 8.00pm**. Admission is by programmes costing £10 which will be on sale at the door from 7.30pm.

Swishing to support Inverness Street Pastors:

A Swishing Session will be held at Free North Church, Bank Street, Inverness (enter off Church Street) on **Thursday 16 June between 7.00pm and 9.00pm**. The idea is that you donate some items and take something else home with you! Three items of clothing/accessories should be donated between 6.00pm and 8.00pm at the church on either Friday 10 June or Tuesday 14 June. Admission is £10 and refreshments, nibbles and traybakes will be served on 16 June. There will also be a raffle on the night! You are asked to donate clothing, handbags, scarves, jewellery, new cosmetics, and accessories. All items should be new, unused, or in very good condition.

Fundraising Piano Concert by Faye Monteith, Tonya Clement (and students), and Alasdair Murden:

This event will take place at Kirkhill Church of Scotland on **Friday 17 June between 7.00pm and 9.00pm** (approx.). There will be music by Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov, Shubert, Granados and more, as well as improvisations and traditional tunes. Tickets (at the door) are £8 for adults and £5 for under 18s. Children under 5 are free! All proceeds will go to the Christian Aid Community Partnership project 'Mothers in Malawi'.

Blythswood's BIG Birthday, Saturday 25 June, Leisure Centre, Inverness:

Come and have fun and help us raise funds for our 50th Anniversary. Join in our Fun Fitness Session which has something to suit all levels of fitness for age 12 and over, or take part in a race to suit most. We have a 3K for Buggy and Wheelchairs, 3K Family Run for children age 10 years & under, 3K Golden Run for 50 years plus, or 5K Open Run. To register please go to www.blythswood.org and for more information email: events@blythswood.org or phone 01349 830777.

Glen '16 at Glenalmond College, Perthshire – Sunday 24 July to Saturday 30 July:

Please see Bishop Mark for more details of this Scottish Episcopal Church Provincial Youth Week. The theme is 'Out of this world' – living the Christian Life.

Cathedral Summer Barbecue:

Martin and Carol Roff have kindly agreed to host the annual barbecue this year. It will be held at their house (details of how to get there will follow nearer the time) following the 11.00am Sung Eucharist on **Sunday 7 August** (Pentecost 12). The proceeds will be divided equally between our own Cathedral Funds and Christian Aid. Please make a note of the date now – and start praying for fine weather!

Readings Next Sunday (11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C):

- ❖ 2 Samuel 11.26-12.10, 13-15
- ❖ Galatians 2.15-21
- ❖ Luke 7.36-8.3

Happy Sunday

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