

Christ Church, Dalbeattie & St. Ninian's Castle, Douglas
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Sunday 31st October 2021

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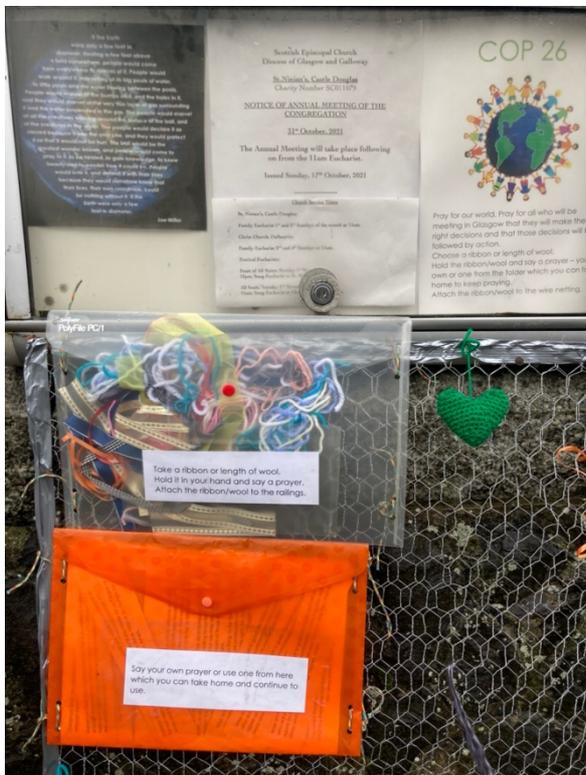
Dear friends in Christ,



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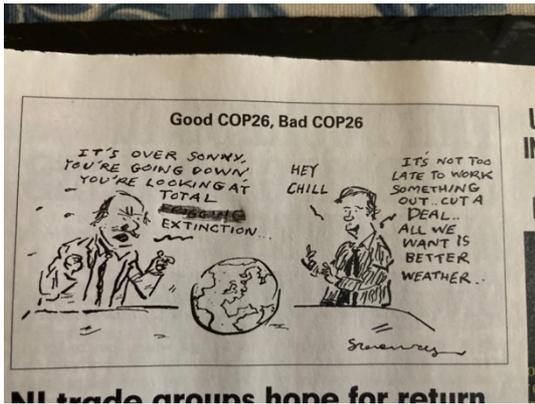
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ITALY

This much talked about conference will be due to start not long after you read this newsletter. We must pray for a workable agreement that takes account of rich and poor nations and people equally.



Our churches will have displays outside with prayers and ribbons that you are invited to attach to the railings or frame. You will have seen from an earlier email that we will be marking the beginning of COP26 by ringing bells on Saturday at 6pm outside our churches to be in solidarity with others who will be ringing their bells to mark the start of the conference. Bell ringing was chosen due to the historic tradition of ringing the bells as a warning signal.¹

¹ You can read the Church Times article here <https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2021/22-october/news/uk/church-bell-ringers-urged-to-ring-out-a-code-red-warning-on-eve-of-cop26>



I was recently sent this cartoon which sums up the different viewpoints:

Our Harvest Festivals have all gone well (there are some photographs to see on our website <https://dcdchurches.org.uk>). Thank you to all who gave and those that prepared our churches. They looked really beautiful. The foodbanks were very grateful for the donations.

This Sunday is St. Ninian's AGM after the I I am Eucharist. We look forward to seeing you there.

Until then...

Yours prayerfully in Christ,

Christopher
Rector

Support at St.Ninian's, Castle Douglas & Christ Church, Dalbeattie



If anyone is in need of help, conversation or prayer please do not hesitate to contact Christopher 01556 505894, Helen Evans 01556 504007 or Christine Collier 01556 670275. We are all available to talk or help in any way.

It is important that we keep in touch as much as possible.

Please continue to pray for: Judi Rumble, Francis Turnbull and Barbara, Audrey Pointon, Brenda Moorland, Katherine Hatfield and Jenny Wright, Erle, Anne and Marion Gardner.

Church Service Times

St. Ninian's, Castle Douglas:

Family Eucharist 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 11am.

Christ Church, Dalbeattie:

Family Eucharist 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am.

**11am Sunday 31st October Family Eucharist at St. Ninian' followed
by AGM in the Gordon Memorial Hall**

Festival Eucharists:

Feast of All Saints Monday 1st November

12pm, Sung Eucharist at St. Ninian's

All Souls, Tuesday 2nd November

11am, Sung Eucharist at Christ Church, Dalbeattie

Prayer Themes for Trinity 22

Sunday: For all who are preparing for COP 26. All who suffer the effects of 'Global Warming'. Pray for people of Afghanistan. For Refugees and Asylum Seekers as they make their journeys to safety. We pray they may be welcomed and cared for. For the mission of our church and our church family.

Monday: For continued Peace in the world. For tolerance, understanding and agreement among the nations.

Tuesday: For young adults, young people and children as they deal with the changes in the world. For all in education and who work with children and young people.

Wednesday: We pray for our care homes and especially their residents at Bothwell House, Hanover House, Carlingwark Care Home, Barlochan House Care Home, Munchies Park House, and Alma McFadyen Care Centre. For those at home who are dependent on carers and those who look after them.

Thursday: For our politicians, Governments, Councils and all in authority. For those in financial difficulties. For those suffering domestic abuse.

Friday: For the people of Lebanon. For those awaiting execution on death row.

Saturday: For all nations struggling with the Covid pandemic. For a fair distribution of vaccines across the world.

For the NHS, our local surgeries, and all at DGRI as we move towards the winter and its increased risks of illnesses. For all who are struggling with continued restrictions. For our own communities.

Gospel Readings for Trinity 22

Sunday

Monday

All Saints

Mark 12: 28-34

Tuesday

All Souls

Matt 5: 1-12

Mark 15:33-39, 16: 1-6

Wednesday

St. Martin de Porres/ St. Winride

Matt 25: 1-13

Thursday

St. Charles Borromeo

John 10: 11-16

Friday

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Luke 16: 1-8

Saturday

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Luke 16: 9-15

Dates for your diary

October

31st COP 26 Opens

November

16th 2pm, Mothers Union Meets in the hall

17th 7pm, Zoom Group to discuss the Year of Luke's Gospel

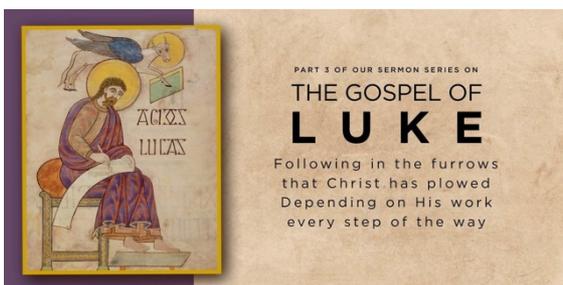
23rd 12pm Dumfries & Galloway Regional Councils AGM in the Gordon Memorial Hall

28th Christ Church AGM

December

4th 10.15 to 4pm Adventures in Faith Meeting, Gordon Memorial Hall

Course:



Wednesday, 7pm 17th November
Zoom Group
The year of Luke's Gospel and you

"If the doors of perception were cleansed, everything would be seen as it is."

William Blake

There is perhaps the perception that Christianity is not seen as a way of seeing all things, but as one competing ideology amongst many. Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles gives us a different view of Jesus' ministry to the other Synoptic Gospels. The aim of these meetings will be to learn, and to engage with each other

using art, film, conversation, and our Bibles. To help us, perhaps, see a fresh or revisit our Faith and deepen our understanding.

To receive an invitation please email cg.ketley@zen.co.uk or phone 01556 505894



St. Winefride, Holywell

Very little is known about her except that she lived in the 6th or 7th century near Treffynon (Hollywell) in Clwyd in Wales. Various miraculous stories are told about her, and her cult has been widespread since the Middle Ages. Its main centres were Shrewsbury, where her remains were enshrined in 1138, and the well at Holywell that sprang up where, according to one version of her life, she was beheaded and then restored to life by her uncle, St. Beuno. The well has remained a place of healing and pilgrimage through the Reformation to the present day.

**Scottish Episcopal Church
Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway**

St.Ninian's, Castle Douglas
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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
CONGREGATION**

31st October, 2021

**The Annual Meeting will take place following on
from the 11am Eucharist.**

Issued Sunday, 17th October, 2021

