

## PAX

Dear friends in Christ,



It was lovely to celebrate the love and marriage of Charlotte Smith to Downs Howard last Saturday at St. Ninian's. It was a sunny day and the first wedding in church since 2017! For the wedding we had to remove the screen and projector, revealing the altar (which was white for the wedding). It was such a joy to see St. Ninian's looking normal

again that I thought I would take a photograph to share with you. My constant prayer is that the government will be able to relax the Covid guidelines soon so that life can be less restricted, especially in church.

Last Sunday at Christ Church we nearly had to turn people away from the service because a number of people had not booked in. **Please remember to book your place in church so as to avoid disappointment.**

To update you on the current guidelines, concerning church services. I understand that the Provincial Advisory Group are reviewing them and hopefully there will be some changes to report soon.

Please continue to keep safe and others safe.

Yours in Christ

Christopher  
Rector

### **Please Pray for:**

For Earle, Anne and Marion Gardner, Gill Piper, Francis Turnbull, Clem' & Ann Gault, Katherine Hatfield and Jenny Wright, Margo Greenwood, and all their families. Remember especially those who are struggling particularly at this time.

**RIP:** Andy Kolokta. Please pray for his wife Anne and family.  
Norman Kennedy. Please pray for his family.

**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.

**Church Services**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 11:00am**

**Trinity Sunday. Service of Holy Communion at Christ Church Dalbeattie**

Please book your seat in church in advance of your attendance with Sue tel. 01556 612863 or emails [suethomas21@btinternet.com](mailto:suethomas21@btinternet.com)

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 11:00am**

**Pentecost 3. Service of Morning Prayer at St Ninian's Castle Douglas**

Please book your seat in church in advance of your attendance tel. Sandra 01557 331 596 or mailto: [sandrawalshkbt@btinternet.com](mailto:sandrawalshkbt@btinternet.com)  
Please take a note of your seat number.

**"One of the Trinity was Crucified":**

**On the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ as Revelation of the Trinity**

Modern Trinitarian theologians have commonly focused on a key question of the Christian faith. How do the passion and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth reveal to us the mystery of God as Trinity? In these lectures we will explore various ways of answering this question by considering facets of the Paschal Mystery. How do Christ's diverse actions and sufferings as man reveal to us the mystery of the Father, his own Lordship as Son, and the Gift of the Holy Spirit? Taking inspiration from St Thomas Aquinas, we will treat the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus as a privileged locus of disclosure of the very mystery of God in himself.

## The Lecturer



Fr Thomas Joseph White is a Dominican priest, who lives and teaches at the Pontifical University of St Thomas (Angelicum) in Rome, where he is the Director of the Thomistic Institute. Originally a native of south-eastern Georgia (USA), Fr White studied at Brown University. He converted to Catholicism in his senior year, influenced by reading Flannery O'Connor, Aristotle, Newman, von Balthasar and John Paul II. He did his doctoral studies at Oxford University where his research focused on Aquinas' metaphysics and arguments for the existence of God.

<https://www.pluscardenabbey.org/live>

### **Prayer Themes for Trinity Sunday**

- Trinity Sunday: For the Guidance of the Holy Spirit in our churches' Mission as we live in times of great change. Pray for the mission of our church and our church family.
- Monday: For Peace and an end to the violence in Israel and Palestine. For tolerance and understanding among Jesus' followers. That they may truly walk His Way.  
For those in danger of losing their jobs and those sectors of industry and hospitality which are not allowed to open. For those in financial difficulties.
- Tuesday: For University students & staff. For all teachers and pupils.
- 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.
- Friday For the people of Afghanistan, Myanmar and Hong Kong. For the people of Northern Ireland. For those awaiting execution on death row.

Saturday For the people of India, Brazil and all nations struggling with the Covid pandemic. For the people of war-torn Syria, and Yemen. For Refugees and all who are persecuted for their colour, Faith, gender, or orientation. For the NHS, our local surgeries, and all at DGRI. For those affected by the Coronavirus throughout the world. For all who are experiencing 'Lockdown', and for our own communities.

### **Gospel Readings for Trinity Sunday**

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| Sunday    | Trinity Sunday            | Mark 1: 1- 11         |
| Monday    | The Visitation of the BVM | Luke 1: 39-56         |
| Tuesday   | St. Justin, Martyr        | Matt 5: 13-19         |
| Wednesday | feria                     | Mark 12: 18-27        |
| Thursday  | Corpus Christi            | Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26 |
| Friday    | John XXIII, Bp Rome       | John 21: 15-17        |
| Saturday  | St. Boniface, Bp          | John 10: 11-16        |

### **Stewartry Food Banks**

If you cannot attend tel: 07730 788 335 or email [projects@castledouglas.info](mailto:projects@castledouglas.info) and they will deliver to your door.

Castle Douglas Food Bank (Stepping Stones), 198 King Street, Castle Douglas

[steppingstones@castledouglas.info](mailto:steppingstones@castledouglas.info)

Manager Vivian Brown Open 12noon to 2pm Monday to Friday

Dalbeattie Food Bank, 24 High Street, Dalbeattie. Telephone 07730 788 335 between 9am & 5pm. Enquiries [donnamck.dci@gmail.com](mailto:donnamck.dci@gmail.com) The shop is open between 6 & 8pm.

### **Useful Contacts**

**National COVID-19 Helpline** 0800 111 4000

For people who don't have family or existing community support and can't get online and who are over 70, disabled, require the support of mental health services, are pregnant or receive a flu jab for health reasons, will be directed to our dedicated local team who can offer essential assistance.

**NHS24** 111 [www.nhsinform.scot](http://www.nhsinform.scot)

**Emergency** 999

**Doctor Out of Hours** 111

Dumfries and Galloway Council 030 33 33 3000  
www.dumgal.gov.uk/SupportDG  
Business Support Helpline 01387 260280 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub 030 33 33 3001  
Social Work Out of Hours 01387 273660  
Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway 0300 303 8558  
Dumfries and Galloway Citizens Advice Service 0300 303 4321  
www.dagcas.org  
Samaritans 116 123  
SHOUT Text SHOUT to 85258 for free  
Scotland's Domestic Abuse Helpline 0800 027 1234  
Age Scotland 0800 12 44 222 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
Shelter Scotland 0808 800 444 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
LGBT Helpline Scotland 0300 123 2523  
Childline 0800 1111

Food Train tel: 01556 288427 email: [everything@thefoodtrain.co.uk](mailto:everything@thefoodtrain.co.uk)  
(for food deliveries from local supermarkets)

## **Dumfries and Galloway Community Bulletin**

[SupportDG - Dumfries and Galloway Council - Community Bulletin  
\(dumgal.gov.uk\)](http://dumgal.gov.uk)

### **God speaking**

The man whispered, "God, speak to me" and a meadowlark sang.  
But, the man did not hear.

So, the man yelled, "God speak to me" and the thunder rolled across the sky.  
But, the man did not listen.

The man looked around and said, "God let me see you" and a star shined brightly. But, the man did not see.

And the man shouted, "God show me a miracle" and a life was born.  
But, the man did not notice.

So the man cried out in despair, "Touch me God", and let me know you're here" whereupon God reached down and touched the man.  
But the man brushed the butterfly away and walked on.

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