

EAST PERTHSHIRE EPISCOPAL CHURCHES
St. Ninian's, Alyth; St. Catharine's, Blairgowrie;
St. Anne's, Coupar Angus; St Michael and All Angels, Ballintuim

2nd FEBRUARY 2025
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

AMEN

Readings

Malachi **3 : 1- 4**
Psalm **24 : 7-10**
Hebrews **2 : 14-18**
Luke **2 : 22-40**

Services

9.30 a.m. – Eucharist – St. Catharine's
11.15 a.m. – Service of the Word – St. Anne's
11.15 a.m. - Eucharist – St. Ninian's

The Rector will be away at the **Annual Clergy Conference from Monday afternoon to Thursday, 3-6th February.** The Vestry Secretaries can contact her if necessary. She will check her answer phone messages but if at all possible, please contact her by email.

BURNS EXTRAVAGANZA – Tuesday, 11th February, Blairgowrie High School 6.00 for 6.30 p.m.

As part of our outreach to the community the JLC Social Committee of the ABC Episcopal Churches and the High School have decided to hold a 'Burns Extravaganza' which will be a celebration of all things Scottish including a Burns Supper and ceilidh. We hope you will be able to support the evening which will feature the musical and culinary talents of the pupils assisted by contributions from church and community and will finish by 9.30 p.m.. This is a fund-raising event and any donations towards a tombola will be appreciated. Any profits will be split equally between the church and the High School. Tickets cost £10 and can be bought from:

David Cuthill : St. Anne's, Coupar Angus email: Davidcuthill007@gmail.com
Carol Renwick : St. Ninian's, Alyth email: cjrenwick@gmail.com
Melanie Thomson St. Catharine's, Blairgowrie email: mthomson@tthomson.co.uk

ST. ANNE'S VESTRY

The next meeting will take place on Monday, 3rd February at 10.30 a.m. in the Church Hall. Please let Andrina Flatt know of any item to be included on the Agenda.

MEDITATION GROUP meets at 10.45 a.m. on Tuesday, 4th February at the home of Mary Hall (Rose Cottager, Coupar Angus Road, Meikleour).

BRF (Bble Reading Fellowship) meets at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 11th February at the home of Chris. Pickthall, (89 Causewayend, Coupar Angus).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, 7th March – 11.00 a.m. – St. Ninian's
7.00 p.m. – St. Stephens, Blairgowrie

MARY'S MEALS CHARITY TEXAS SCRAMBLE at Alyth Golf Club on Friday, 9th May. Open to all golfers with a current WHI (max, handicap 36). Tee times from 10.04 a.m. to 2.04 p.m. Teams of 4 £25 per person. For more details or to book a time contact Lynne Fryer mmsarl9@outlook.com or 01250 872512.

CHURCHES TOGETHER (formerly EFACTS)

Anne-Marie Scrimgeour has volunteered to be St. Anne's representative.
Thank you Anne-Marie.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Don't forget to save the stamps from your Christmas cards etc. They will be taken by Karen and David Cuthill to the S.C.A.A. (Scottish Charity Air Ambulance) to raise much needed funds. They can be given to Karen or David, Margaret Linley or left in the basket on the bookcase at the entrance to St. Catharine's Hall.

"SAINTS ALIVE" - The Magazine of ABC Churches Could we please urgently address the future of Saints Alive? We need to identify a Representative from each of the four churches and, most importantly, a person to serve as a central point of contact. This individual would gather articles and encourage, persuade, or gently coerce potential authors to contribute. Additionally, this person should possess some editorial skills to manage the content and assemble the magazine. The layout and design will be handled by an external agency. The printing is likely to be outsourced as well. Please contact me by the end of the month at the following email address if you are interested in helping keep the magazine alive. Email: Geoffrey.bridge@talk21.com

COLOUR PRINTER

Chris Judson, who edited Saints Alive for many years, has retired. He currently has an OK Office colour laser printer in his house and needs to have it removed and stored until its future is decided. ABC Churches purchased the machine in 2018 to help produce the Magazine. Has anyone somewhere nice and dry where it could be stored for a while or even used? The printer weighs about 20 kilos and sits on a wooden stand. Geoffrey Bridge (Email: Geoffrey.bridge@talk21.com)

MURDER MYSTERY EVENING

Blairgowrie & District Rotary is hosting a Murder Mystery Evening in Blairgowrie Golf Club on Friday, 7th February, 2025, 6 p.m. for a 6.30 p.m. start.

Tickets are £25 per person, including a one-course supper and tea/coffee and they are selling quickly! A raffle will also be held

If you would like to attend this fun evening, please contact David Cuthill by email davidcuthill007@gmail.com

'TAKE TIME JUST TO BE'

Come to the MU Provincial Retreat, Tues.-Thurs. 8-10th April, 2025. Theme : **Arts, Health & Spirituality** – a Trinity for Physical and Mental Well-being. At St. Mary's Monastery, Hatton Road, Kinnoull, Perth. **Leader Revd. Lara Dose** Rector of Holy Trinity, Dunfermline. Cost £235 per person full board. For more information and online application form <https://muscotland.org.uk/Retreat.htm>

**SUNDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

Services

**9.30 a.m. – Eucharist – St. Catharine’s
11.15 a.m. –Joint Eucharist – St. Anne’s**

Readings

Isaiah	6 : 1-8 (9-13)
Psalm	138
1 Corinthians	15 : 1-11
Luke	5 : 1-11

**Our Website : www.abcsaints.co.uk
Facebook : <https://www.facebook.com/pg/abcsaints/posts/>**

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Usual non-working day FRIDAY

Organist : St. Catharine’s and St. Anne’s Austin Wilkie.

St. Catharine’s Centre Coordinator: Julie Sinclair. Normal hours,
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1.30-5.30 p.m. T. 01250 874583.
E. stcatharinescommunitycentre@btinternet.com

Items for Pew Leaflet to: Mrs. Margaret Linley by 5pm on Wednesday
T.07778 570515 (text only) E. linley314@tiscali.co.uk .

OSCR NOS. St. Anne’s SC 014389, St. Catharine’s SC 003473,
St. Ninian’s SC 005907, St. Michael’s SC 009176.

We welcome visitors and newcomers to our Churches. If you are new to the area and/or Church and would like the church to have your contact details, please add your details below and give this to one of the Sidesmen.

Note: All data is stored and used in compliance with GDPR

Name/s.....

Address.....

Email address

For St.Catharine’s please hand to: Mrs. Sarah Gammell or email your details to sarah@thegammells.com

For St.Anne’s please hand to: Mrs. Andrina Flatt or email your details to sec.st.annes@gmail.com

For St.Ninian’s Please hand to: Mrs. Carol Renwick or email your details to cjrenwick@gmail.com