

30th November, 2025
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FORGOTTEN

Gifts to buy and cards to send,
Shopping lists that never end.
Time's so short, so much to do,
There's no room for such as You.

Laden down with gifts galore,
As we rush from store to store;
Who's the next one on the list?
Is there anyone we've missed?

In the corner, half forgotten
Lies the Son of Man begotten.
Born into this world's dark night,
He offers us his gift of light.

If there's no room, will we reject him?
With hands so full, can we accept him?

Author Unknown

COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever
Amen

Readings

Isaiah	2 : 1--5
Psalm	122
Romans	13 : 11-14
Matthew	24 : 36-44

Services

10.,30 a.m. JOINT SERVICE - ST. NINIAN'S

NO SERVICES IN ST. CATHARINE'S OR ST. ANNE'S

ADVENT BIBLE STUDIES will run on Mondays in St. Catharine's at 7.30 p.m. and Tuesdays in St. Anne's hall at 2.15 p.m.. The same material will be covered in both studies. All welcome.

MOTHERS' UNION are once again collecting basic toiletries for the Women's Aid and Blairgowrie Cottage Hospital. This year we will also collect women and children's pants. There is a box at the back of the churches for donations. We will be making bags up at our Christmas meeting on 11th December.

Suggested items: Toothbrushes & toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, shower gel, small packets of tissues, flannels, combs as well as other basic items – we also make up bags for children in the refuge and men in the Cottage Hospital., Smaller rather than huge bottles are better. Thank you.

ST. ANNE'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on 14th December in the Church Hall, after worship.

ST. NINIAN'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, 4th January after The morning service.

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Usual non-working day FRIDAY

Organist at St. Catharine's and St. Anne's Austin Wilkie

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Items for Pew Leaflet to Mrs. Margaret Linley by 5pm on Wednesday
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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 cjcrenwick@gmail.com

SUNDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 2025.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

Readings

Isaiah 11 : 1-10

Psalms 72 : 1-7, 18-19

Romans 15 : 4-13

Matthew 3 : 1-12

MEDITATION GROUP meets on Tuesday, 2nd December at 10.45 a.m. at the home of Margaret Linley (Ivy Cottage, Whitelea Road, Burrelton).

CHURCHES TOGETHER

PKC Social Work Dept. has again put out an appeal for Christmas Hampers from Churches Together, our ecumenical group. St. Anne's & St. Ninian's have a list at the back of the Churches with ideas for items which you can sign up to donate and a box for donations. Please hand in your donations by 14th December.

St. Anne's is in need of a new representative on Churches Together to replace Anne-Marie Scrimgeour. If you would like to volunteer please get in touch with Andrina Flatt.

PERTH CHORAL SOCIETY are holding their December Concert on 7th December at 7.30 p.m. In Perth Concert Hall. Chichester Psalms and Carmina Burana are being sung and NYCOS are singing with us, so a large choir. Tickets available from the Concert Hall.

BRF (Bible Reading Fellowship) will meet again in January 2026.

The LYRIC CHOIR Christmas Concert is on Friday, 12th December at 7.30 p.m. in Blairgowrie Parish Church. Tickets £10 include refreshments. Tickets available from Andrina Flatt or at the door.