

St John the Evangelist

Sunday 27 December 2020

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COLLECT

Shed upon your Church, O Lord, the brightness of your light, that we, being illumined by the teaching of your apostle and evangelist John, may walk in the light of your truth and come at last to the fullness of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Exodus 33.7–11a

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, far off from the camp; he called it the tent of meeting. And everyone who sought the LORD would go out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. 8 Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people would rise and stand, each of them, at the entrance of their tents and watch Moses until he had gone into the tent. 9 When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the entrance of the tent, and the LORD would speak with Moses. 10 When all the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance of the tent, all the people would rise and bow down, all of them, at the entrance of their tents. 11 Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Responsorial Psalm 117

R The Lord spoke to him face to face as one speaks to a friend.

1 Praise the Lord, all you nations;
laud him, all you peoples.

2 For his loving-kindness towards us is great,
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Alleluia! **R**

SECOND READING 1 John 1.1-10

A reading from the first letter of John.

1 We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – 2 this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – 3 we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; 7 but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL John 21.19b–25

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to Christ our Saviour

After this Jesus said to Peter, 'Follow me.'

20 Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said,

'Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?'

21 When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus,
'Lord, what about him?'

22 Jesus said to him,

'If it is my will that he remain until I come,
what is that to you? Follow me!'

23 So the rumour spread in the community that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but,

'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?'

24 This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true.

25 But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, your apostle and evangelist John proclaimed the Christ, your Word made flesh among us. May we who have shared the bread of life remain for ever your children, born according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

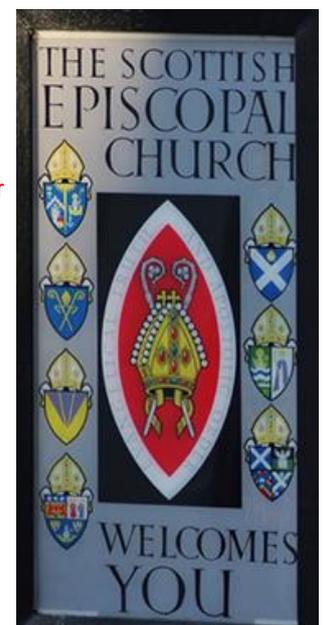
BLESSING

God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The notices for the week are on
the reverse of this sheet

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The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway
St John's Church, Floors Street, Johnstone PA5 8QS St Margaret's Church, Oxford Road, Renfrew PA4 0SJ

National Tier 4 of lockdown: max of 20 people in church buildings

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Zoom/Telephone is Tel:01314601196 Meeting ID: 832 4184 0407

Passcode: 076546 or use the link on the newsletter or website



Worship today St John the Evangelist

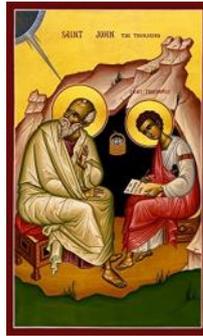
0945 Said Eucharist at St Johns—Patronal Festival
1130 Said Eucharist at St Margarets

Both services are recorded and made available on our YouTube Channel at about 4pm on Sunday

<http://tinyURL.com/SECStJohnStMargaret>



7pm Light a Candle and place it in your window as we pray for the Nation using the prayer on the Intercessions leaflet each week



Intercessions

The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Sandra Ferguson, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, Margaret Kerrigan, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Sue Graham, Margaret Gibb, Lisa in Oxford, Carol, Joanna, Barbara Clark

The Departed: Gerald Mungavin

We pray for aid Charities helping refugees and asylum seekers

We pray for people facing redundancy and unemployment

We pray for all those working to vaccinate the nation

We pray for our neighbours in our streets

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet

Weekly downloads from

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

Pewsheets & Intercessions & Reflection

Praying at home together

Live-streaming **Morning Prayer 9am &**

Evening Prayer 530pm

will start again on Monday 4 January

Monday 28 December-festival—The Holy Innocents

Tuesday 29 December-comm-Thomas of Canterbury, Bishop and Martyr, 1170

Wednesday 30 December-comm-Josephine Butler, 1906

Funeral of late Rev Gerald Mungavin invites only gathering at Lochwinnock Cemetry, Linthills Road, PA12 4DJ for 3pm drive past and committal



2pm Telephone Church

7pm Zoom/Telephone Communion Service

Thursday 31 December—comm-John Wycliffe, Priest, 1384

7pm-8pm Zoom 'How has the OoFing been?' a conversation with Lisa about the OoFing experience so far

Friday 1 January—festival—The Naming of Jesus
transferred to Sunday celebration

Happy New Year 2021

Saturday 2 January—comm-Seraphim of Sarov, 1833

Next Sunday—**The Naming of Jesus** trans

0945 Said Eucharist at St Johns

1130 Said Eucharist at St Margarets

Your New Year & Epiphany OoFs have been posted with some prayers you may like to use at home too.... Do send photos of your activity and they'll be added to the website OoF pages
Lisa Curtice our Ordinand can be contacted
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As our church buildings are opening again please ensure you keep others safe by observing social distancing. Please do not attend if you feel unwell, or have COVID19 symptoms

Sundays max capacity is 20 in Tier 4 Restrictions—if the limit has been reached when you arrive please go home gracefully.

WE ARE OPEN!

PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES AT ALL TIMES



Thank you!

Reuben, Stephen & George say a big thank you for the cards and kind wishes over the Christmas period so far. Your attendance at online, telephone and real-life church gatherings has been much appreciated.

Church Contacts

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