

## **COLLECT**

**Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3.1–10, (11–20)**

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

1 The boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. 2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; 3 the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' 5 and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. 6 The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8 The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' [11 Then the LORD said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. 12 On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. 13 For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14 Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.' 15 Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16 But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, 'Here I am.' 17 Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, 'It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.' 19 As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD. ] **For the word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **Responsorial Psalm Psalm 139.1–5, 12–17**

**Response: I will thank you because I am marvellously made.**

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. **R** 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether. 4 You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me. 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. **R** 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. 13 I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful and I know it well. **R** 14 My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth. 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them. **R** 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them! 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. **R**

## **SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 6.12–20**

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, 12 'All things are lawful for me,' but not all things are beneficial. 'All things are lawful for me,' but I will not be dominated by anything. 13 'Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,' and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! 16 Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, 'The two shall be one flesh.' 17 But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? 20 For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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## **GOSPEL John 1.43–51**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

## **Glory to Christ our Saviour**

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' 46 Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' 48 Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' 49 Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' 50 Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' 51 And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

**Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.**

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; 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**





# 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

**All Sunday services are being streamed live this week**

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

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## **Worship today—14 Jan 2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Rev Robert

**Music at St Johns: 314—411—(LP 546)—343—352**

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist— Rev Robert

**Music at St Margarets: 314—411—343—352**

**Monday 15 January 2024**—comm- Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop and Teacher of the Faith, c.367 (translated from 14 January)

**Tuesday 16 January**—feria

**Wednesday 17 January**—comm- Antony of Egypt, Abbot, 356

**St Johns 2pm Said Eucharist** —Curate

**St Margarets 7pm Said Eucharist**—Rector

745pm St Margarets Vestry meeting

**Thursday 18 January**—comm-The Confession of Peter

**Friday 19 January**—comm-Commemoration of Scottish Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Period

**Saturday 20 January**—feria

## **Next Sunday 21 Jan 3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Curate

**Music at St Johns: 259—45—(LP 546)—72—485**

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist— Rector

**Music at St Margarets: 221—45—72—438**

## **Dates for the coming months:-**

**Ash Wednesday 14 February** 2pm Said Service at St Johns & 7pm Sung Service at St Margarets both with Ashing

**Mothering Sunday 10 March**

**Palm Sunday 24 March**

**Maundy Thursday 28 March** 730pm Last Supper Eucharist and feet washing and Vigil in St Margarets until 10pm

**Good Friday 29 March** Ecumenical walks to be announced 2pm St Johns "An hour at the Cross"

**Easter Day 31 March**

**Vestry meetings coming up....**

**St Margarets** Wednesday 17 January 745pm in the hall

**St Johns** Tuesday 23 January 630-8pm in St Johns Room

## **2024 Confirmations at St Margarets**

1130am Sunday 12 May with Bishop Kevin—please see Vanessa for details of the preparation afternoons



To ask about arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rector

## **Intercessions**

**The sick and in need we have promised to pray for:** Eleanor Hart, David Fowles, Liz Fairns, Pauline Campbell, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Isabel Cummings, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Veronica Whitelock, Jeanette Farquhar, Margaret Keys, Emily Parker, Sam Aaron, Andrew Mitchell, Raymond Bruce, Olly Mitchell, Joe Smith, Nan Grimstead, Eric Parker, Brian Angus, Geraldine Revie, Brenda Sproule, Hugh Smith, Donna Skalley, Kay Cherie, Ruby Robertson, Judith Thorley, Bishop Kevin & Anna

**The Departed:** none

**Cycle of Prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet**

**Weekly downloads the PEWSHEET, the INTERCESSION SHEET, the GOSPEL REFLECTION from**

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**Zoom Morning Prayer 9am for 20mins**

**Pastoral Assistants Support every week:** please call Wilma 07714 525726, Rev Lisa Curtice 07802 888423 or Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351 Rev Godfred 07466 608715

**Gardening Hour at St Johns** begins in February 1030-1130 Sat 10 February, Sat 9 March, Sat 13 April, Sat 11 May, Sat 8 June, Sat 13 July, Sat 10 August, Sat 14 September, Sat 12 October & Sat 9 November



**Planning for 2024**—The

first Vestry meetings in both Charges will be planning for our work and mission during 2024.

Make sure that Vestry members

know your ideas when planning for the year ahead.

**Bishop Kevin is recuperating well after his hospitalization—he will be needing to take it easy for a few weeks to get his strength back.**

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**by 0900 on Wednesdays.**

**Sponsorship: we pray for the healing of Bishop Kevin**

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