

Collect

Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 58.9-14

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

9 You shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, 10 if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. 11 The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. 12 Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. 13 If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; 14 then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 103.1-8

Response: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. **R**

3 He forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities; 4 He redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness; **R**

5 He satisfies you with good things, and your youth is renewed like an eagle's. 6 The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed. **R**

7 He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel. 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness. **R**

SECOND READING Hebrews 12.18-29

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

18 You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, 19 and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. 20 (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.') 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of

the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

25 See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! 26 At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' 27 This phrase, 'Yet once more,' indicates the removal of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; 29 for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Gospel Luke 13.10-17

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

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

11 And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.'

13 When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. 14 But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' 15 But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? 16 And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' 17 When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

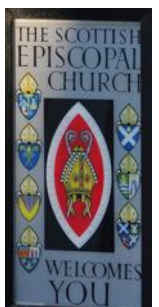
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen





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

we are online at www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

Facebook: [@stmargaretsrenfrew.org.uk](https://www.facebook.com/stmargaretsrenfrew.org.uk) [@StJohnsJohnstone2023](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsJohnstone2023)

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

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



Worship today—24 Aug—Pentecost 11

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist —Rector

Music at St Johns: 565-272—(LP 546)—70—606

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist —Rector

Music at St Margarets: 565-272—70—606

Monday 25 Aug—festival-Bartholomew, Apostle

(transferred from 24 August) and (Ordination of the Rt Revd Andrew Swift as Bishop of Brechin, 2018)

Tuesday 26 Aug—comm-Ebba of Coldingham, Abbess, 683

(transferred from 25 August)

Wednesday 27 Aug—comm-Monnica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387

2pm St Johns Said Eucharist - Rector

7pm St Margarets RS HC - LWL Pat

Thursday 28 Aug—comm-Augustine of Hippo, Bishop and Teacher of the Faith, 430 and (Ordination of the Rt Revd David Railton as Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, 2024)

Friday 29 August—festival-The Beheading of John the Baptist

Saturday 30 August—feria

Next Sunday 31 Aug—Pentecost 12

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist —Rector

Music at St Johns: 184-625—(LP 546)—35—169

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist —Rector

Music at St Margarets: 371-413—387—525

Door Open Day <https://www.doorsopendays.org.uk/>

Sat 6 Sept

St Margarets

Open 10am-2pm

**DOORS
OPEN
DAYS 2025**

Dates for the Diary coming up soon...

Sat 6 Sept - Doors Open day 10am-2pm St Margarets

Friday 19 Sept - 7pm Quiz Night at St Margarets

Sunday 5 October - Harvest Festival across the SEC

Monday 6 October - 7pm Choir Concert at St Johns

Sunday 26 October - 11am St Johns AGM

Sunday 2 November - 1245pm St Margarets AGM

Nurturing ourselves and learning about our **Spiritual Intelligence** with *The Guild of Health and St Raphael* - a 6 part zoom course hosted by the Rector for the Renfrewshire Region 7pm Sunday evenings beginning Sunday 28 September - video teaching input, conversation, reflection and shared prayer - see posters in the hall for more details. See <https://gohealth.org.uk> for more details

Intercessions The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: David Fowles, Liz Fairns, Audrey Callaghan, Adrian Bull, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Veronica Whitelock, Emily Parker, Sam Aaron, Raymond Bruce, Olly Mitchell, Joe Smith, Eric Parker, Geraldine Revie, Ruby Robertson, Craig Cameron, David Preston, Gloria & Chris Nelson, Scott Taylor, George Wilmshurst, Judith Thorley, Josephine Lynch, Fred Thorley, Ellen Reilly, Gordon McLellan, Sarah Anne and Robert Alcorn, Tosh Lynch, Ailene Ross
The Departed: Trixie Preston
The Elderly and Infirm unable to get to church: Isabel Reed, Kay Cherry, May Burton, Pauline Campbell, Nan Grimstead
Cycle of Prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet online



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

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

Pastoral Assistants Support every week:

please call Wilma 07714 525726 or

Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351

St John's needs a Treasurer and a Vestry member to ensure it reaches its Constitutional requirements

Holy Communion at home or in hospital—please contact the Rector if you are unable to get to church and would like to receive Holy Communion where you are.

2025 St Johns Gardening Hours—Sats 13 Sept, 11 Oct, 8 Nov

Vestry meetings coming up soon:

St Johns 630pm 2nd-Sept, Oct tbc & AGM 26

Oct & St Margarets 745pm 3rd-Sept, Oct tbc & AGM 2 Nov

September Vestry meeting changes due to Rector's time away due to his mums death
St John's Tues 23 Sept & **St Margs** Wed 24 Sept
Do these dates work for folk?
Please let the Rector know

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Items for inclusion on this sheet should be sent to Rector@SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk **by 0900 on Wednesdays.**

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

Sponsorship: we pray for people awaiting medical test results who are worried and anxious

If you would like to sponsor this sheet please send you £5 donation to the Rector along with details of the sponsorship (even if anonymous)