

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

**19th JANUARY 2025**  
**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY – THE CONVERSION OF PAUL**

**COLLECT**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**AMEN**

**Readings**

**Isaiah 43 : 1-7**  
**Psalm 29**  
**Acts 8 : 14-17**  
**Luke 3 : 15-17, 21-22**

**Services**

**10.30 a.m. JOINT SERVICE AT ST. CATHARINE'S**

**No Services in St. Anne's or St. Ninian's**

**ST. ANNE'S – the Service on 26<sup>th</sup> January at 11.15 a.m. will be taken by the Rev. Denise Herbert, as Kim will be at St. Ninian's ACM.**

**ST. NINIAN'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY AFTER THE MORNING SERVICE.**

**WATCH THIS SPACE!**

The JLC Social Group will be holding a **BURNS SUPPER** jointly with Blairgowrie High School where both pupils and church members will be taking an active part. This is a great opportunity for outreach to our communities. Date to be advised very shortly. If you would like to help out please let your social representative or Secretary to the Vestry, know.

**MEDITATION GROUP** meets at 10.45 a.m. on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January at the home of Margaret Linley (Ivy Cottage, Whitelea Road, Burrelton).

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 19<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**

Short Service and lunch held at 12 noon at the following venues:

Thursday, 23rd January - St. Catharine's Church Hall, Blairgowrie  
Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> January – St. Stephen's Hall, Blairgowrie

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

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

**MARY'S MEALS**

The annual Ceilidh, raising money for Mary's Meals, was a successful evening with the young people there enjoying the dancing as much as the adults! The current total which includes ticket sales, a raffle and donations, stands at £1867.40. A promising start for 2025 raising funds for the school we sponsor in Malawi. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution towards the evening.

**MARY'S MEALS CHARITY TEXAS SCRAMBLE** at Alyth Golf Club on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:mmsarl9@outlook.com) or 01250 872512

**CHURCHES TOGETHER (FORMERLY EPACTS)** meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> January in St. Catharine's Centre. If you would like to attend this fun evening, please contact David Cuthill by email davidcuthill007@gmail.com.

**MOTHERS' UNION** meet on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> January. This will be a Eucharist taken by Annie Hogg as Kim is on her leave.

**"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](mailto:Geoffrey.bridge@talk21.com)

**COLOUR PRINTER**

Chris Judson, who edited Saints Alive for many years, has retired. He currently has an OKI 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](mailto:Geoffrey.bridge@talk21.com)).*

**MURDER MYSTERY EVENING**

Blairgowrie & District Rotary is hosting a Murder Mystery Evening in Blairgowrie Golf Club on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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 Hal.

I expect to pass through this world but once.  
Any good, therefore, that I can do or any kindness  
I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now.  
Let me not defer or neglect it for I shall not pass this way again.

Stephen Grellet (1773-1855)

**SUNDAY, 26th JANUARY, 2025  
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**Services**

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

**Readings**

<b>Nehemiah</b>	<b>8 : 1-3, 5-6, 8-10</b>
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>1 Corinthians</b>	<b>12 : 12-31a</b>
<b>Luke</b>	<b>4 : 14-21</b>

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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Name/s.....

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**For St.Catharine’s please hand to:** Mrs. Sarah Gammell or email your details to [sarah@thegammells.com](mailto:sarah@thegammells.com)

**For St.Anne’s please hand to:** Mrs. Andrina Flatt or email your details to [sec.st.annes@gmail.com](mailto:sec.st.annes@gmail.com)

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