





## St J's Diary & Notices: w/c Sunday, 15/09/2024

			
(3 <sup>rd</sup> in month) Sunday, 15/09/2024 Pentecost 17	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play (Hall); refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	14.00	Forest Church	Meet outside Crichton Church, dressed for weather
	18.00	Sung Evensong (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdumfries.org">www.stjohnsdumfries.org</a> . *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter
Monday, 16/09/2024	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	Closed today
	18.30-22.00	Bridge Club (Hall)	Resumes <b>next</b> week
	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Church)	St Ninian
Tuesday, 17/09/2024	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Lady Chapel)	
	19.30	Contemporary Worship Musicians' Practice (Church)	
	19.30	Short Mat Bowling (Hall)	Just turn up
Wednesday, 18/09/2024	10.30	1970 Eucharist (Church), then refreshments (Hall)	
	18.30	Choir Practice (Church)	
Thursday, 19/09/2024	12.30	Mothers' Union Lunch & Guest Speaker (Hall)	See notice below for detail
	19.30	Bell Practice (Tower)	Please contact <a href="mailto:bells@stjohnsdumfries.org">bells@stjohnsdumfries.org</a> or 07754 596140 if not a regular.
Friday, 20/09/2024	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
Saturday, 21/09/2024			
(4 <sup>th</sup> in month) Sunday, 22/09/2024 Pentecost 18	09.15	Sunday Worship: Crichton Memorial Church	Crichton Campus, Dumfries DG1 4ZZ
	09.30	Holy Communion @ Maxwelton Chapel	Just off B729 between Wallaceon & Moniaive. DG3 4DX
	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Godly Play Activity Bags available; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	Including Ministry for Healing; listen for announcement.
	18.00	Contemporary Worship (Church)	
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And, as always, if you need us, you can contact

- The Rector on 01387 254126 / 07487 653069  
/ rector@stjohnsdumfries.org
- The Church Office on 07754 596140  
/ pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org

## OUTINGS/TRIPS:

Next scheduled one is a Trip to see **Threads Through Creation** at Hexham Abbey, on **Saturday, 02/11/2024**. Dep St J's approx. 10.00; Fare £11, assuming a minimum of 10 people travelling. Sign up sheet in due course, but keep the date.

## OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Thank you for your wonderful suggestions; we were spoilt for choice. We could not do them all but some of the outing ideas have been passed on to David. Here are the chosen suggestions from the list for this time: (More details to follow in due course.)

- 26<sup>th</sup> October -Indian Meal
- 9<sup>th</sup> November- Board Games Night. [**Note change of date; now a week earlier... 'Advance to Go...'**]
- 17<sup>th</sup> January,2025- Beetle Drive
- March, 2025 (date to be confirmed) Pamper Session

## MU Lunchtime Meeting

In a change to our advertised programme, due to circumstances beyond our control, our September and October speakers have swapped places. Our first lunchtime meeting of the new programme will be led by Revd Ann Wren: *Metamorphosis*. It will take place in the Hall on **Thursday 19th September**. We will gather **from 12.30**, with prayers at 12.45 and lunch at 1pm. Please bring a sandwich lunch, and soup, tea / coffee and cake will be

provided. Everyone is welcome to attend. Just turn up, and be assured of a warm welcome. *Members, please remember to bring your Prayer Diary.*

## **MU Produce Stall**

At our Harvest Festival on **6th October**, Mothers' Union will be providing a produce stall, with lots of home-made goodies on sale. We will be most grateful for any support you can give us for this fundraising event. *PS MU Members and friends, please get pickling, baking, jam- making knitting, tablet – making, and any other delights you can provide!*

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** formal notice is given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on the **6th October**. The purpose of the Meeting will be:

- to approve the minutes of the 2023 AGM
- to receive the accounts for 2023-2024
- to appoint the Independent Examiners 2024-2025
- to elect 3 representatives to the Vestry for 3 years
- to elect a Lay Representative and an Alternate Lay Representative to the Diocesan Synod and a lay representative to the Galloway Regional Council
- to receive the reports from the Rector, the Vestry Secretary and the lay representatives and to take special note of the report from the Coordinator for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups

Nomination forms are available at the back of the church. Completed forms need to be submitted to Margaret Morton, Vestry Secretary, as soon as possible, either in person or by leaving the form in a sealed envelope in the yellow box file in the Meeting Room. Nominations must be made by midday on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> October.

The AGM will be held in the context of the I I am service and the 6th October will be our Harvest Festival. The AGM will be convened at the end of the service and adjourned for a Bring and Share Lunch in the Hall. The AGM will reconvene after lunch.

*Margaret Morton, Vestry Secretary*

**FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT:** The fortnight has moved from the usual February/March slot to the **9th-22nd September**. A highlight in Dumfries will be the visit by a rice farmer, Howard, from Malawi. Howard is part of the cooperative that grows Kilombero rice. You may remember that Judith Mylne stocked this rice. This is an opportunity to hear first-hand from Howard about the impact this fair trade collaboration has in Malawi, and the impact of Climate Change on his community.

Howard will speak at the Baptist Church on **Monday 16th September** from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Please note that **BOWLING** resumed on Tuesday, 10/09/2024, at 19.30 in the Hall (and will continue weekly); all are welcome. You'll also be welcome when the **QUIZ NIGHTS** resume on Friday, 27/09/2024, also in the Hall at 19.30

**GODLY PLAY/CHILDREN'S CHURCH:**

Under new Management! Led by a rota of people: this week, it will be the turn of Inna (again) and Tracy Temple. Please give them your prayerful support; likewise you could pray for **plans** we are starting to make to **complement** the existing monthly **Mystery Evenings**. More when we know it; meantime the first Mystery Evening of the new season will be on Friday, 20/09/2024; your prayerful support of that, too, would be appreciated.

# Choral Evensong

Sung by the Choir of  
St John's Church  
Dumfries

Organist:  
John R Turner

Sunday  
15th September 2024  
at 6pm

Introit: Loving Shepherd of thy sheep - Ledger

Preces & Responses: Smith

Psalm

Canticles: Noble in A Minor

Anthem: Jubilate Deo in C - Britten

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All very welcome

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