





St J's Diary & Notices: w/c Sunday, 19/04/2026

			
(3 rd in month) Sunday, 19/04/2026 Easter 3	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Youth@11; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	
	14.00	Forest Church	Meet at Mountainhall Car park (note change of venue), dressed for weather. Details below
	18.00	Choral Evensong (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	www.stjohnsdumfries.org . *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter
Monday, 20/04/2026	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
	18.00-20.00	Senior Investigating Officers (Hall)	For P5-7 age children. 07754 596140 / 07520 006290 for details.
Tuesday, 21/04/2026	09.00-12.00	Malory Nursery Visit (Church & Hall)	
	18.30	1982 Eucharist (Lady Chapel)	
Wednesday, 22/04/2026	10.30	1970 Eucharist (Church), followed by refreshments (Hall)	
	13.00-16.00	Fibromyalgia Group Art Workshop (Hall)	
	19.00	Choir Practice (Church)	
Thursday, 23/04/2026	19.00	Prayer Meeting/ discussion on last Sunday's gospel	At ?Annette's. (TBC) All welcome. Church Office can put you in touch.
	19.30	Bell Practice (Tower)	Please contact bells@stjohnsdumfries.org or 07754 596140 if not a regular.
Friday, 24/04/2026	10.00-17.00	Church Office open	
	12.00	Friday Prayers for World Peace (Church)	30 mins or so, followed by tea/coffee. All welcome. Just show up.
Saturday, 25/04/2026			

(4th in month) Sunday, 26/04/2026 Easter 4	09.15	Sunday Worship: Crichton Memorial Church	Crichton Campus, Dumfries DG1 4ZZ
	09.30	Holy Communion @ Maxwellton Chapel	None this month while bats are dealt with!
	11.00	1982 Family Eucharist (Church); Youth@11; Godly Play Activity Bags available; refreshments afterwards (Hall)	Including Ministry for Healing; listen for announcement.
	18.00	Contemporary Worship (Church)	
	Any time*	Service online	www.stjohnsdumfries.org . *Available on website from about same time as actual event & for some days thereafter

If you need to contact St John's, for any purpose, you can do the following:

- The Rev Jim Booth, Interim Priest, has the Rector's phone (07487 653069) throughout the Vacancy, and any emails addressed to rector@stjohnsdumfries.org will be received by him (and only him).
- Please do not contact the Rectory landline (01387 254126) meantime; it is currently out of use.
- For most things, you can contact the Church Office (07754 596140) / pastadmin@stjohnsdumfries.org. The Office will continue to be open Mondays and Fridays and most other weekdays besides, except Wednesdays, but please call before making a special trip.
- So, in general, normal service will continue, under exception of the Rectory landline.

QUARTZ INFORMATION:

- Forest church once a month in Dumfries

- CLC meetings every second Monday
- **Our usual meeting time** is 7.30 till 9. We take it in turns to host and lead so let Simon know if you would like to join us!
- Quartz Forest Church will meet at Mountainhall car park at 2pm to explore "The Dispersed Forest Memorial" this month. Full details on the Quartz tab of the St Johns website.
- For all Quartz information: <https://www.ancient-pathways.co.uk/>

LENT LUNCHES: A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Lent Lunches in any way. **The total raised was £5,200 after expenses.** This is more than last year (£5093), despite the increased costs of supplies and you might remember how cold and wet the first week (when St John's catered) was. To give an example, this would enable Christian Aid to provide 104 solar dryers that will turn fresh produce produced by urban farmers in Nairobi, Kenya, into valuable long-life products. Using very small areas to grow crops in the slums of Nairobi will be the focus of this year's Christian Aid Week---watch this space!!

Thank you again.

Margaret Morton

In case you're interested...

Dear Sir/Madam,

- I'm writing to you as a member of the British Regional Transport Association (BRTA). We're a small, unincorporated group that, with the resources we have, is working towards improving public transport across the UK. We're particularly excited about the possibility of reopening, rebuilding and building new conventional railways for both passengers and freight on local lines. We also advocate for a transport system that's environmentally friendly, well-integrated, comprehensive, inclusive and affordable, including buses, cycling and pedestrian facilities.
- Website: <https://brtarail.com/dumfries-to-stranraer/>
- I'm writing to invite you and any of your staff to a Public Meeting on Saturday, 25 April, from 2-4pm at the Dumfries Day Centre, Cumberland Street, Dumfries DG1 2JX (Phone: 01387-266401). I'd love to know if you're interested in attending.
- Also, if you have any thoughts on the potential reopening of the rail link between Stranraer and Dumfries and how it might benefit you or your

club/organisation, and if you'd be willing to print a copy of the poster and display it to promote the meeting,

- We plan to hold more meetings along the proposed route, which we'll announce this year.



Performers include Jim Booth and Liz Ballard. All welcome.

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A Church for Everyone



All very welcome
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Choral Evensong

Sunday
19th April
at 6pm

Organist: John R Turner
Sung by the choir of
St John's Church, Dumfries

Introit: O For A Closer Walk With God - Stanford
Psalm: No.121
Preces & Responses: Smith
Hymn: Ye Choir Of New Jerusalem
Canticles: Stainer In B Flat
Anthem: Awake Thou Wintry Earth - Bach
Hymn: Lord Jesus, In The Days Of Old

St. Michael's and South Church

Songs of Praise

Sunday 19th April
at 6.30pm

**Come along and have a good
sing!**

Tea, coffee and home baking will be served
in the church hall afterwards

