

SUNDAY
4th July 2021
Pentecost 6
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The Scottish Episcopal Church

St John's, Arpafelie: St Andrew's, Fortrose: St Regulus, Cromarty

The Black Isle Family of Congregations

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EVERYONE WHO IS BAPTISED is welcome to share with us in Communion this morning. There is no need to be a member of the Episcopal Church. Please feel free to celebrate with us.

If you are not baptised or would prefer, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing (simply come forward with hands together and head bowed as a sign to the priest).



PENTECOST SUNDAY SERVICES

EUCCHARIST

9:45am in St John's with Rev Christine

9:45am in St Regulus' with Fr Mel

11:30am in St Andrew's with Fr Mel

(11:30am will be live streamed and the link emailed asap)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Collect

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

+ First Reading : Ezekiel 2:1-5

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

This is the word of the Lord.

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD cont.

+ Psalm 123

We look to the Lord our God!

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To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens. **We look to the Lord our God!**

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he show us his mercy.

We look to the Lord our God!

Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt, Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

We look to the Lord our God!

+ Second Reading : 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

This is the word of the Lord.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD - cont.

+ The Holy Gospel : Mark 6:1-13

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark:

Glory to Christ our Saviour!

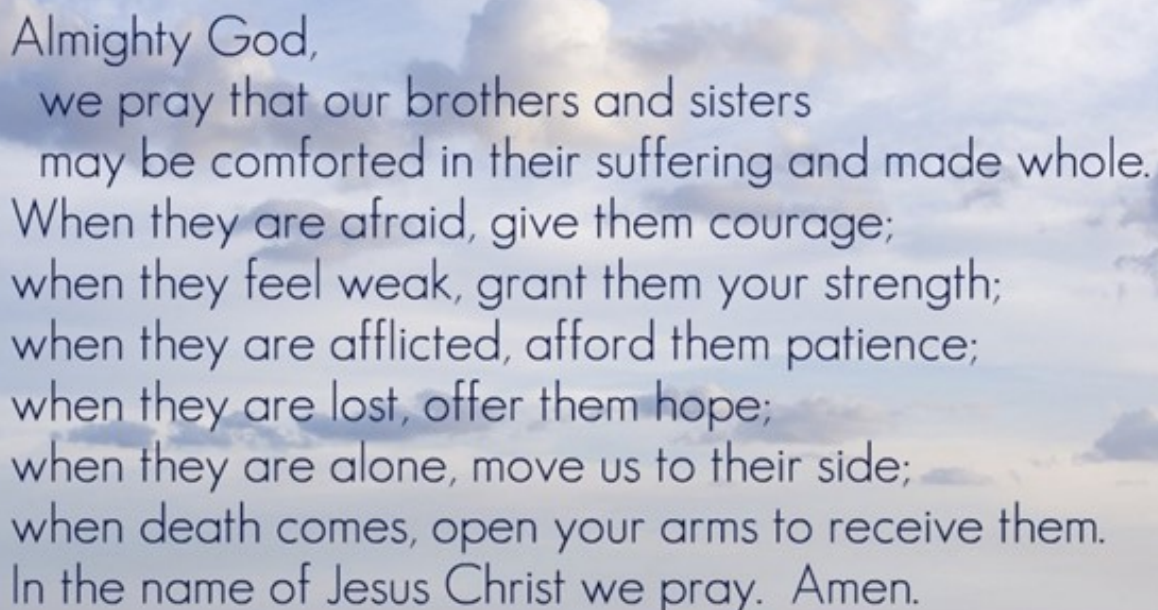
Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Give thanks to the Lord

for this his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord!



Almighty God,
we pray that our brothers and sisters
may be comforted in their suffering and made whole.
When they are afraid, give them courage;
when they feel weak, grant them your strength;
when they are afflicted, afford them patience;
when they are lost, offer them hope;
when they are alone, move us to their side;
when death comes, open your arms to receive them.
In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

For grace to be Jesus' hands, feet, voice, eyes & heart in the world...that we all may LIVE and BE the GOOD NEWS.

OUR WORLD

For healing and peace among all nations. For an end to terrorism and hatred in all its forms. For our fellow Christians and all who are persecuted for their faith.

OUR COMMUNION

Pray for the peace and unity of the Church. Pray for our sisters and brothers of the Anglican Church of Papua-NewGuinea.

OUR DIOCESE

For our brothers & sisters in the Porvoo Communion of Churches. For Rachael W, SandraW, Cn Graham T, Bp Kevin, Dr John McN S, Fr Ian B, Godwin C, their families and all who are studying for Ordination or Readership. For their instructors & all who support them. For Mark, our Bishop, and for our brothers & sisters throughout the Diocese & especially St Peter & Holy Rood, Thurso; St John's, Wick: Freswick Castle Chapel. For our sister Dioceses (Quebec, Canada & Tuam, Killala and Achonry, Ireland).

OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY FAMILY & FRIENDS

For Hayden & Louise. For those working with For the Right Reasons, Samaritans, Mikey's Line & other help groups seeking to be there for those who are struggling. For those joining in worship online. Pray for all undergoing tests, awaiting results and undergoing treatment. For Janet S as she studies for ordination. For those whose relationships / marriages are struggling. Pray for our Granny in Guatemala: Santos De La Cruz Mendez. Pray for our Sunday Club in St Regulus'. For the safe return of our Teens and our Teen Gatherings. For James and his work in Biblical translation in Nigeria. For all we know to be in need of our prayers.

A DAILY PRAYER for the WEEK

Spend a moment in silence and call to mind any particular concerns...then pray:

Through the gospel, the Lord Jesus calls us to share in his glory. Let us make our prayer with him to our heavenly Father.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for all nations: that we may seek the way that leads to peace, that human rights and freedom may be everywhere respected, and that the world's resources may be generously shared.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the Church: that her leaders may be faithful ministers of your word, that all her members may be strong in faith and hope and that you may be recognized in the love she bears to all.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for our families, and the community in which we live: that we may find you in them.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for ourselves: that in the coming week we may serve others in our work, and find peace when we rest.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the faithful and all the departed: that through your mercy they may rest in peace.

– Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

AS THE CHURCH DEPLOYED - LET US UNITE IN PRAYER FROM OUR HOMES

Dear All,

The weather has been so nice over the past few days (I am writing on Wednesday). One cannot beat bright, sunny, warm days! Everyone seems happier and their voices waft into our gardens and in through our windows. It was wonderful to have a wee garden visit from Tom Leslie and his friend Yuka on Tuesday...they brightened my day and made me realise just how much I am missing gathering with our happy Friday night band of High-schoolers...and other gatherings too!

I am once again having car issues. It will be looked at tomorrow in Inverness. I confess it has been nothing but a headache since I got it. Its days are truly numbered! Renting a vehicle is proving more than I can afford!

Wonderful news about the Rev Christine's finding a new place to stay here on the Isle! Talk about providence!

11 July : Pentecost 7

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Blessings to one and all.

And much love too.

Mel +

If you need anything or just a friendly voice, ring me at 01381 622 241 (or 07780 512 990)...and I will do my utmost!



DAILY PRAYER - An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe you are truly present
in this Most Holy Sacrament
of your Body and Blood,
and since I cannot, at this time, receive you in
Holy Communion,
I pray you to come into my heart.
I unite myself with you and embrace you
with all my heart, my soul, and my mind.
Let nothing separate me from you.
In whose Name I pray.
Amen.

OR

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, cleanse me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me.
Never let me be separated from Thee.
From the malicious enemy, defend me.
At the hour of death, call me.
And bid me come to Thee.
That with Thy saints I may praise Thee,
forever and ever. Amen.

DAILY PRAYER - I will be offering these prayers at:

7 am : Invitatory & Office of Readings

8:30am : Morning Prayer (Facebook Live Stream)

6 pm : Evening Prayer (Facebook Live Stream)

10 pm : Night Prayer aka Compline

9:00am Fridays : Celtic Morning Prayer (Via Zoom: Contact Gillian for info: annegillianne-newman@gmail.com)

Gill Pimm's GARDEN OPEN

**Culish, Kilmuir
North Kessock, IV1 3ZG**



**Daily throughout June & July
11am till 4pm**

donations most welcome



**Raising funds for
Marie Curie**

CHARITY SHOP

THANK YOU

For all your donations – they are greatly appreciated.
Due to shortage of storage space, we can only accept –

Items of clothing

For the time being
Many thanks for your generosity.

St John's Arpafeelie

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Honours list award for St Vincent's member

A member of the congregation at St Vincent's Chapel in Edinburgh was awarded the MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.

Charles MacLean, an author of 18 books, was honoured for services to Scotch whisky, UK exports and charity.

Mr MacLean visited 17 countries in 2019 alone as an ambassador for Scotch whisky.

He is the cousin of the Rector of St Vincent's, the Rev Canon Allan MacLean.



Thank
You

The Rev Christine has asked me to pass on her grateful thanks for all your prayers, kind messages and assistance in securing a new premises to rent.

Her quest has been successful and she will be moving to Fortrose later in the year and looks forward to welcoming everyone to her new home.

I'm sure that you will all wish to join with me in wishing Christine every joy and happiness in her new home.

OUR CHARITY SHOP
in Saint Andrew's Hall :
Wednesdays & Saturdays,
10am -1pm.



**THE CHARITY SHOP IS NOW
OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY
AND SATURDAY
10.00 am—1.00 pm**

The Books and cards normally on sale at the back of St Andrew's are not available during the present restrictions.



Please help local people in Crisis

Tins of ham

Tins of corned beef

Tins of mince/stew

Tins of Potato

Tins of custard

Soap powder (small)

Washing up liquid (small)

Shaving foam/razors

TINNED VEGETABLES

The food bank team are always very appreciative of our donations, but at the moment they have excess pasta, tinned soup and tinned beans, so won't be accepting more of these at present.

The items on our list are still things that they need more of, also individually wrapped toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, sugar and toilet roll.

Thanks for all your ongoing generosity.



Thought for today

"My Brethren, count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

James 1. 2 - 4

Church Rotas

St Andrew's

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J Deakin / A Garraway / M Hulse / J Deakin

Sides-men

Alison Garraway and Bill Fraser

Servers

Sacristan

Flowers

Teas

Cleaning

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