

GORDON CHAPEL
Scottish Episcopal Church
(Charity number SC001009)

Fochabers

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All are invited to receive communion, we have an open altar here. If you would prefer you may come forward for a blessing.

We welcome all visitors and invite you to sign the visitors book and join us for coffee in the Parish Room.

Sunday 13th May, 7th Sunday of Easter.

10.00 am Eucharist.

6.30 pm Evensong.

Today's Readings

Acts **1** v 15-17 & 21-26 1 John **5** v 9-13 John **17** v 6-19

Today's Readers.

Joan Marsden. Fiona Gordon. Rev Michael Last.

Readings for 20th May, Pentecost.

Acts **2** v 1-21 Romans **8** v 22-27 John **15** v 26-27; **16** v 4b-15

FIRST READING ACTS 1 v 15-17, 21-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostle.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people).

He said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.'

So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias.

Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.'

And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked:

they are like chaff which the wind blows away;

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen

SECOND READING. 1 John 5 v 9-13

A reading from the first letter of John.

If we receive human testimony,
the testimony of God is greater;
for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his
Son.

Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony
in their hearts.

Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar
by not believing in the testimony that God has given
concerning his Son.

And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life,
and this life is in his Son.

Whoever has the Son has life;
whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.
I write these things to you who believe in the name of the
Son of God,
so that you may know that you have eternal life.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the congregations of Holy Trinity, Elgin; Bughhead Mission; St, Margaret, Lossiemouth; Christopher Ketley, Jenny Sclater.

Dorothy (Dot) Wawrzinek died Thursday 10th May. R.I.P.

For your diary.

Next Vestry Meeting Wednesday 13th June at Gordon Chapel 7.30pm

Afternoon Communion 1st Wednesday in the month at 2.30pm followed by afternoon tea. (**4th June**).

Evensong. Second Sunday in the month.

POP-UP SHOP, LOSSIEMOUTH.

14th – 18th May. 21st – 25th May.

Please contact Janet if you can help out for a day or two.

We can sell practically anything here! Spring clean your cupboards for us.

PROCEEDS FOR LIFT FUND.

Tuesday 15th May 2.00pm – Funeral of Jessie Simpson at Holy Trinity, Keith

SUNDAY 20th MAY IS PENTECOST. The Church's birthday.

Wear something RED. If you like bring a present for the church.

Suggested list attached.

Men's Breakfast. Bellie Church Hall, Saturday 19th May at 8.30am

Highland Games & Country Fair. Gordon Castle Sunday 20th May.

REFUEL 18 Gordon Castle 23rd – 28th July.

Speyfest 27th – 29th July. **Sunday 29th July, Ecumencial Celtic Service** in Village Tent. 10.00am.

Christ Church, Huntly event.

Summer Concert at Auchanachie Friday 10th August at 7.30pm

Music by "Fiddich Winds" a wind quintet led by Fiona Gordon.

Wine & nibbles in the interval as usual. Tickets £12.50 available soon.

Priest.	Rev Michael Last.	01542 882782
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Please notify Daphne Stevens 01343 821731 or e-mail dms222@btinternet.com by Thursday of any items you would like included in the Sunday notice sheet.