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THY KINGDOM COME

On St. Andrew's Cathedral
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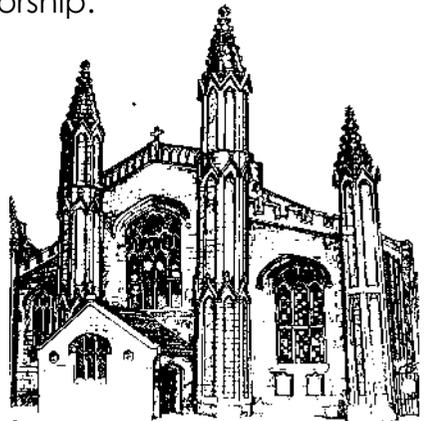
By The Very Rev'd Dr Isaac Poobalan

Dear Friends,

We have completed a season of Festivals beginning with Ascension leading up to Pentecost and culminating with the affirmation of our faith in the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit at Trinity. In that period, we heard from our Bishop Anne Dyer inviting us to pray, **Thy Kingdom Come**, from our Cathedral Warden Dr Claire Woods stating our financial challenges and inviting us to **increase our giving** in proportion to our current giving, and my own appeal to **be a MIRACLE** like the little lad who gave his five loaves and two fish to our Patron Saint Andrew.

Thank you for being a MIRACLE MAKER by giving generously. We have had some good response to the Whitsun giving campaign. Some of you have given generously to the Kilt Walk appeal and others have given directly. If you are still contemplating, then you have until the 14th of June where your gift will be increased by 40% when you give through the Kilt Walk.

The target set for our giving is £20,000 pounds to balance our budget for this year. We have reached nearly 70% of it. We need another £5,000 to reach the target. If you give to reach £3,500 then the Kilt Walk Foundation will make it £5,000 and we would have reached the target. Please pray and give. The second part of the giving to increase your weekly giving especially those of us who give £5 a week. If you can add a £2 coin to the £5 note it will be like St Andrew's miracle of 5 loaves and 2 fishes. This will enable us to fully service all we are able to do at the current level and invest some energy into raising funds to restore our place of worship.



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St Andrew's Cathedral, Aberdeen

'Where your treasure is there your heart be also'

WHITSUN GIFT CAMPAIGN 2018

Pray



We PRAY for God's Kingdom to come

In our Souls: Body, Mind and Spirit

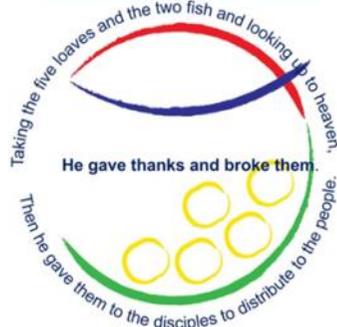
In our Homes: Relationship, Labour & Rest

In our Cathedral: Worship, Vision & Mission

In our Diocese: Bishop, Churches & Communities

In our World: Peace, Justice & Stewardship

Be a Miracle



We GIVE for God's Kingdom to come

Of Ourselves: Body, Mind and Spirit

Of our Time: Small Fundraising Events

Of our Talents: In Worship & Works in the Cathedral

Of our Income: Tithe 52 Sundays of the year (£5 + £2)

In our Substance: Special Gifts as Cathedra & Thanksgiving

Come Lord Jesus. Renew Your Creation.

I write this with great reluctance. We have one family in our cathedral where the lady of the house gives her family tithe of £300 a month directly. She then caters for weekly events which costs another £100 a month. In addition she organises other fundraising events and add another £200 a month. So the total one member of the Cathedral gives £600 a month through

direct giving, giving through events and enables others to give. We need 30 people who can do this for our Cathedral to shine with glory and beauty for God.

Our giving enables our worship, our children's nurturing, our outreach to the most needy and vulnerable people in our city and our support to people in other parts of our world who

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are most needy.

Thank you for your generosity. God bless you and prosper all that you do so you may be able to give even more. Our giving

campaign continues. Please continue your prayerful support.

God bless you.
Isaac

Food with Friends

By The Very Rev'd Dr Isaac Poobalan



On Friday the 25th of May 2018 around 20 people met in the John Skinner Centre for a short act of worship with Chants and Prayers before sharing in food. Food with Friends is our Cathedral outreach project funded by the Aberdeen Health and Social Care network, a government agency

which works to improve the lives of people in the margins of our society.

Most of the people in attendance either suffer from some of mental health issues or on recovery from drugs and alcohol dependence. On this occasion, the produce was given by

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Paul van Midden who is a farmer and worships at 8 am Holy Communion on Sunday mornings. The food was prepared by the 'Recovery' team supported by the Aberdeen Drugs Action charity. The funding for the event was secured by Dr Amudha Poobalan which is for one year. And the people were brought together by Mr Tony Broderick who lives and serves like a Monk. The Cathedral is the host providing well equipped kitchen and

well lit space in the John Skinner Centre, thanks to our Cathedral Warden Dr Claire Woods and the Trustees who are committed to making this possible.

If you wonder what the Kingdom of God we pray for is like, come and see it next time in the John Skinner Centre. You are a Miracle Maker. Be sure you play your part.

The Kiltwalk



The Kiltwalk (organised by The Hunter Foundation (<http://www.thekiltwalk.co.uk/>)) is happening this weekend!

When: We walk on Sunday 3rd of June 2018

What is happening: We have been asking the congregation to participate at the refreshments after the morning Eucharist and Christine Flett has also encouraged everyone to sponsor the Provost.

Watch this space for an update after the walk!

Committed to Protecting Your Privacy: The General Data Protection Regulations 2018

Many, if not all of you, will be familiar with the term **GDPR**, or in its longer form, **General Data Protection Regulations**; it has been widely reported in the media and we have all been contacted in recent weeks by organisations with which we have, at some time in the past, shared some degree of personal details such as our name, address and contact details.

The laws that protect your data changed on the 25th May, 2018 requiring us, the Cathedral Management Team, to ensure that your personal data, held by the Cathedral, is accurate and protected. From the 25th May, the Cathedral requires your continued consent to hold and use your data for specified purposes; to this end, everyone who we believe we hold data on, should have received a request from the Cathedral Office to restate your consent, or to ask us to delete your data.

If you have not received such a request, and believe that the

Cathedral holds your personal data, please contact either me, the Provost or the Cathedral Office as a matter of urgency.

The Cathedral has a Data Protection Policy in place and will abide by its terms to ensure that we always operate within the statutory requirements of the Regulations. A Summary of this Policy is posted on the Home Page of our website and a link provided to view the full Policy if readers so wish.

For your convenience I have included that Summary below and I request that you take a moment to read and consider its contents. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this statement, the Policy or any other matter relating to the protection of your data, please contact me, the Provost or the Cathedral Office directly.

With sincere thanks,
Mark Edwards
Cathedral Data Protection
Officer
People's Warden

Data Protection: Summary of the Policy

By Mark Edwards

The Cathedral Church of St Andrew, Aberdeen is committed to protecting your personal details, thereby respecting your privacy. Our Data Protection Policy provides details on what data we collected, how we collect it, how we process it and use it and, it details your right to ask us to delete it, without condition, if you so wish.

A summary of our Policy:

- The Cathedral will be completely open about any data being collected, and will provide details on how that data will be used at the time of collection;
- The Cathedral will only use your data for the purposes declared at the time of collection; depending on the source of the data this will be used to:
 - notify you of Services at the Cathedral or other Diocesan locations in which the Clergy or Choir are involved
 - notify you of Cathedral

social events

- notify you of Cathedral-supported concerts or events
- update you on Cathedral related projects, initiatives or significant news
- The Cathedral will only communicate with you using your declared preferred method;
- The Cathedral will implement enhanced security measures to keep your data secure;
- The Cathedral will not share your data with any party out with the Cathedral;
- The Cathedral will honour your request to remove and securely delete your data and provide you with confirmation of the deletion.

The full Policy is available to view via the website or by contacting us in writing to **The Data Protection Officer, The Cathedral Church of St Andrew, 28 King Street, Aberdeen, AB24 5AX**

Data Protection: Individual's Rights

By Mark Edwards

The General Data Protection Regulations, 2018 make specific provision for the rights of individuals who consent to their personal data being held, processed and used by an organisation. It is my duty as the Data Protection Officer for the Cathedral to make these available to you for your consideration.

Individuals' rights

1. **The right to be informed, including privacy information:** Individuals need to know that the Organisation is collecting their data, why it is processing it, and who it is sharing it with. This should be published on the website and within any letters the organisation sends to individuals.
2. **The right of access:** The Organisation must have a process to recognise and respond to individuals' requests to access.
3. **The right to rectification and data quality:** The Organisation must have a process to ensure that personal data remains accurate and current
4. **The right to erasure:** The Organisation must have a process to efficiently manage the retention and disposal of personal data.
5. **The right to restrict processing:** The Organisation must have a process to respond to an individual's request to restrict the processing of their personal data.
6. **The right to data portability:** The Organisation must have a process to facilitate the transfer of personal data to another location/platform at the individual's instruction.
7. **The right to object:** The Organisation must have a process to handle an individual's objection to the processing of their

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personal data.

8. **Rights related to automated decision making including profiling:** The Organisation must declare if it uses mechanisms to automatically profile users for the purposes of targeted communication. The Cathedral does not use any such profiling mechanism.

[Source: Information Commissioner's Office – GDPR Guidelines, 2018]

Further information or clarification may be obtained from the Cathedral Data Protection Officer: **The Data Protection Officer, The Cathedral Church of St Andrew, 28 King Street, Aberdeen, AB24 5AX**



Update

By Moira Middleton

The Mother's Union outing on Saturday 16th June will now be at the St Peters Heritage Centre in Peterculter where you can learn from exhibits, photographs and objects the story of Culter Papermills, Kennerty Farm Dairy, local shops, Deeside Railway and Culter School to name a few. We decided to change the venue as no one put their name forward for Stonehaven.

This outing is open to anyone

who wishes to come. Please let us know as soon as possible if you will be joining us. There will be a few cars going out so if you need or can provide transport let Kathy Priestley (07703 462713) or Kathleen Kilgour (07729 101741) know so they can ensure everyone a suitable lift.

If you are making your own way there you should meet in the car park at the heritage centre on Howies Lane at 2pm. The Old Church Hall adjacent

to the Heritage Centre serves tea and cakes from 2pm -4pm. If it's a nice day you can walk down to the river Dee or around the old graveyard.

There will be no meetings over July and August.

Moira Middleton



Choir News

By Andrew Morrisson

Farewell

Last month the choir said goodbye to two student members of the choir, Mhairi and Emily, who have left Aberdeen following completion of their studies. Mhairi Sharp who was a choral scholar for several years has completed her music degree and is moving back to her home town of Falkirk. Mhairi has made a splendid contribution to the top line over the years, and was a final-

ist in the Ogston Competition at the University this year. Emily Harrow has been a real support over the years, particularly helping out when treble numbers were low. Emily who has completed her degree in Architectural Technology used her expertise to produce the 3D visualisations of the restored Seabury House and the proposed Song School. We wish them both well and hope that they will be back often to see us.



Fund-raising

The Cathedral Trebles are getting prepared for this year's summer choir trip, which is to Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford. We did a 'bag-pack' at Morrisons supermarket on 11th May, to raise money for the trip. The picture shows us at the start of the session. The adults in the picture have all kindly agreed to help with camp this year. We are all wearing our new choir hood-

ies, which we will be wearing at camp. These are very popular with the choristers, who think they are cool, and also with adults, who believe they will find it easier to keep track of their charges in something bright and distinctive! The bag-pack raised £401.53p at the tills and £422.03p including donations afterwards. Many thanks to the Cameron family, Mark and Wendy Edwards and Steph Brock for arranging the hoodies and the bag-pack.

1. OPENING PRAYER AND WELCOME

The Provost welcomed Dr Nicola Mills, a member of St Mary's Carden Place, who was appointed to fill the Diocesan Trustee vacancy at the Synod on 17th March, to her first meeting of the Trustees.

2. REVIEW OF ACTIONS AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

a. Cathedral and Halls Rental Rates and Terms: The new rental rates, terms and conditions and information about the cathedral facilities are all now available on the website.

b. Liturgy Books: A meeting about the format of the main Sunday Eucharist had been held. It was decided to have one liturgy book for each of the five Eucharistic Prayers in use, so that the service was printed in order from start to finish. The liturgy would be printed on one side of each page, with commentary and explanation on the opposite side.

3. CURRENT FINANCIAL POSITION

Andrew Morrisson presented the half-year results. On 31st March 2018, the balance in the General Fund was approximately £3000, taking account of accruals; the balance in the Development Fund was £5707 and the value of the Cathedral's investments held with Brewin Dolphin was £47,000. The General Fund still owes the Development Fund £13,000 of gift-aid and VAT rebates. Aberdeen Council of Voluntary Organisations (ACVO) had recently reviewed the Cathedral's finances and concluded that we urgently need to increase our income.

4. UPDATE ON PEACOCK VISUAL ARTS (PVA)

The Trustees unanimously agreed to accept a single payment of £25,000 from PVA in full settlement of the outstanding dilapidations on Seabury House (the Merchant's House), provided the payment is received by 31st May 2018. This amount is equivalent to the estimated

cost of addressing the external dilapidations on the building. The Trustees had previously informed PVA that they would be prepared not to pursue the internal dilapidations, because they intend to re-design the interior completely. The dilapidations on the Old Schoolhouse are the subject of separate negotiations. PVA currently have a 1-year lease on the Old Schoolhouse, which runs until April 2019.

5. KILTWALK/HADDO HOUSE FUND RAISING EVENT

Wendy Pope will participate in the full 26 mile Kiltwalk in Aberdeenshire on Sunday 3rd June. The Provost and Micah Furlong will combine to do a shorter walk, as the event clashes with Provost's Sunday commitments. The choir trebles will do a short tandem sponsored walk in the grounds of Haddo House before singing Choral Evensong there.

6. EXHIBIT AT THE 79th GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCO-

PAL CHURCH

The 79th General Convention will be held from July 5th – 13th, 2018 at the Austin Convention Center, Texas. The Provost reported that he has committed St Andrew's to a booth and will attend. Bishop Anne has agreed that the Diocese will sponsor his travel and accommodation. Jane Russell (ACVO) will attend for five days to represent us. She may be able to minimise costs by staying with relatives nearby. The booth will cost approximately £1600, payable in two instalments.

7. CDP2020 UPDATE

Michael Stone reported that the Cathedral Architect (James Roy) favours combining the re-pointing of the West Elevation, restoration of the Suther Chapel windows, conversion of the Trebles' Vestry into toilets and conversion of the Adults' Vestry into a Chapter Room into a single project and applying for Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) funding. He advises that we should apply for 50% of the

Informal Summary of the Trustees Meeting on 7 May 2018

By Claire Morrisson

money, with a commitment to source the remaining 50% ourselves. It would take up to 2 years for the funding application process. If successful, HLF would settle 50% of the cost of qualifying invoices as they are presented to us, therefore the pace of work would be determined by our project manager. The next deadline for HLF applications is October. The Trustees agreed to ask James to prepare and submit the application.

The Provost reported that James Lyon has stood down from the CDP2020 project team, due to ill health. The Trustees asked the Provost to send James their sincere thanks for all his hard work and invaluable guidance through the Seabury House project.

8. MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Claire Morrisson had previously circulated a briefing paper on the cost of work done since September 2017. Total expenditure is £51k, of which £9k

has been spent on the cathedral, £22k on the JSC and toilets and £20k on the Dance Hall. Of the £51k, £26k has been spent on mandatory safety/regulatory work, £9k on maintenance and £16k on upgrades. One essential piece of external work outstanding on Seabury House is the repair where the Merchant's House is separating from the adjacent tenement building. This lets in water during wet weather. The Trustees authorised Claire to spend a further £5k on this repair.

The Trustees agreed that we should set aside 5% of income for maintenance as standard practice and as recommended by the CDP2020 team. The Trustees agreed that the Dance Hall be used for the Young People's ministry on Sunday mornings.

9. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 4th June, 7 pm in the JSC.

June Diary

Weekly Services

Wednesdays at 10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sundays at 8.00 am	Holy Communion (1970 Liturgy)
Sundays at 10.45 am	Sung Eucharist (1982 Liturgy) followed by coffee in the JSC
Sundays at 10.45 am	Crèche available in the JSC
Sundays at 6.30 pm	Choral Evensong

Weekly Events

Tuesdays at 6.00 pm	Fellowship, JSC
Fridays 10.00 am to 12 noon	Cathedral Coffee Shop (Teas/ Coffees, and a whole range of homebaking, as well as sandwiches available)
Saturdays at 12 noon	Cathedral at Noon (30 minute recital followed by refreshments)

Cathedral at Noon - June

9 Jun	Iona Baillie <i>Flute repertoire written to portray places all around the globe</i>
16 Jun	Lisa Abraham <i>Violin music by Grieg, Fauré and Smetana</i>
23 Jun	The Cathedral Choir and Con Anima <i>A special concert in memory of our friend Giles Pilgrim Morris</i>
30 Jun	Isla Cartney <i>Clarinet music by Saint-Saëns, Finzi and Krommer</i>

The **deadline** for the joint July/August issue of the Focus magazine is the **28th of June**. Please send your articles to Amber at a.shadle.07@aberdeen.ac.uk. Many thanks to all those who contributed to make this issue of the Focus Magazine possible!

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