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All Saints Sunday - 1st November

Remembrance Sunday – 8th November

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From Our Priest-in-Charge



Beloved in Christ,

November is a month when we remember. As the days grow shorter and the trees shed their leaves, we celebrate All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, giving thanks for those who have shaped our faith, loved us well, and helped us discover something of God's grace in the world.

St Cyprian's Church

ALL ARE WELCOME
ALL ARE LOVED

The hymn For All the Saints reminds us that we are part of something much bigger than ourselves. We stand in a long line of faithful people, some whose names are remembered across generations, and others whose faithfulness has never been recorded in a history book. They are the people who taught us to pray, showed us kindness when we needed it most, welcomed us when we felt like strangers, and helped us recognise the love of God in ordinary, everyday life.

Remembering the saints is not simply about looking backwards with nostalgia. It is also an invitation to look around us. Holiness is not reserved for extraordinary people or great acts of faith; it can be found in quiet acts of courage, in compassion offered without expectation, in the work of building community, and in the simple determination to love our neighbours.

As we give thanks for those who have gone before us, may we also recognise that we are becoming part of this story ourselves. What kind of faith will we pass on? How might our lives help others glimpse the hope, love, and light of Christ?

May we draw courage from the saints who have gone before us, give thanks for those who

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Magazine & DNS Deadline

The next issue of *Cyprian Life* should be available on Sunday, 29th November 2026. The deadline for material is Sunday, 21st November 2026, though it would be good to get things earlier, if possible. The magazine will be for December 2026 and January 2027.

Please email notes, articles, photographs and anything else that may be of interest to other members of the congregation to me by the deadline in order to give time for typesetting and printing. Electronic format is strongly preferred.

Please let me know about what is important to you, especially how world events have affected you.

I sometimes incorporate items from the Glasgow & Galloway Diocesan News that I hope might interest members of the congregation. You can subscribe to receive the monthly news email from the diocese by going to glasgow.anglican.org, the diocesan home page, and entering your email address in the box at the bottom of the page. The email newsletter takes the form of brief paragraphs with links to fuller articles on the diocesan website and, where appropriate, other sites. The diocese is also on Facebook—search 'Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway'.

We are encouraged to contribute by sending any items for the email newsletter to news@glasgow.anglican.org. There's no stated deadline, but they need to be in a few days before the email comes out (usually on the second last Friday of the month).

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Paul Hindle
Magazine Editor

From Our Priest-in-Charge

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walk beside us today, and trust that God is still calling ordinary people to do extraordinary things through love.

As we remember the Saints of St. Cyprian's, I hope you will consider how our stories of today will join with our stories of days gone by. Look around you and try to notice the saints in our midst – I am inspired each day by the faith, dedication, and love of this holy community.

With Love,



Cover Picture

The first Sunday of September was our Communion Recognition Sunday. The picture shows the members of the Informed Communion Class with their sponsors at the special service we held on that day.

There's more details and pictures in the story about the day and the banners the class members produced over the last few weeks on pages 10 and 11. We hope you'll be impressed!

If you have a picture you think would be of interest, please send it to the editor at: magazine@stcyprianslenzie.com.



On Saturday, 28th November, from 2-4pm, we will host our second annual Wreath Making Event. All are welcome to join together in our newly refurbished hall as we make wreaths for our homes from greens cut from the church grounds.

Hot beverages and festive nibbles will be on offer as we celebrate the start of Advent together. Suggested donation of £20 per wreath is welcome and accepted. All donations go towards the continued ministry of St. Cyprian's church.

The Link

For the latest information about events at St Cyprian's, please check the *Link* each week in Church or on our web site:

www.stcyprianslenzie.com
and link.stcyprianslenzie.com

The Link and the colour version of this magazine can be downloaded in PDF format by clicking on the links on the Publications page (older copies of the Link are in Word format).

If you would like to add an event to the Link and/or the website, please email the details to link@stcyprianslenzie.com or phone Rev. Audrey on 07424 723794.

Pastoral Care

One of the important purposes of Christ's church is to provide the love and care we all need.

Our new Priest-in-Charge, Audrey, is now working on meeting the need for pastoral care. She is planning to visit everyone in the congregation, but if you have a more immediate need, please phone her on 07424 723794 or email her at rector@stcyprianslenzie.com .

Other members of St. Cyprian's are also available to talk to if you wish. Rev. Audrey can put you in touch with an appropriate person that may be best qualified to help.

Music @ St Cyprian's



We had a wonderful start to the 2026-27 season with the welcome return of Fiddle and Accordion Duo, Roo & Neil (*above*).

As billed last time, they performed a mixture of pieces from their first album *HOMELANDS* as well as some of the music from the new album *Play it Again*. It was great to be there and be involved in the music, much of which they compose themselves based on old traditional material from across Scotland. They also had some improvisation and told us some stories about the music as well as playing. Thank you Roo and Neil for a great night.

Two weeks later, we had the pleasure of welcoming back virtuoso organist, Aaron Hawthorne (*below*), on 10th October. It was billed as a thrilling evening of silent cinema as Aaron produced an immersive sound track to the 1920 horror classic "Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde" live on our organ. The film brings Robert Louis Stevenson's dark story vividly to life through dramatic imagery and Aaron considerably enhanced the experience with the power of live music. We can truly say it



brought to life the excitement of silent film as it was originally intended, with every twist, transformation and moment of suspense heightened by a live organ soundtrack. A number of members of the audience commented that they forgot Aaron was there so well did his playing draw them in the events portrayed in the movie. Thank you Aaron for such a wonderful experience.

We are now looking forward to the next concert to be held on Saturday 21st November at the usual time of 7.30pm. Award-winning Jazz violinist, vocalist and BBC broadcaster, Seonaid Aitken, pays tribute to her French Jazz violin hero Stéphane Grappelli. Alongside top Scottish Jazz guitarist Conor Smith, Seonaid will celebrate Grappelli's career with swingin' tunes from his solo repertoire and legendary duets with Classical virtuoso Yehudi Menuhin.

In the second half, Seonaid will pay homage to her favourite Jazz vocalist - the 'First Lady of Song' - Ella Fitzgerald. The duo will explore some of Ella's iconic recordings.

Seonaid was awarded 'Best Vocalist' twice at the Scottish Jazz Awards and continues to celebrate one of the best singers in the history of jazz so definitely one not to miss!

Tickets for single concerts are £15.00 (plus booking fee if using our online ticket provider). Under 18s admitted free.

In-person reservations can be made by phone to 07702 224458 or email to concert@stcyprianslenzie.com before the concert. Tickets will also be on sale on the door by cash or card.

Details of all the concerts in the season are available on the Music @ St. Cyprian's website: musicstcyprians.co.uk. That's also where you can find the link to our online ticket provider, TicketSource.

There are pictures of Roo & Neil and Aaron alongside many previous concerts on the Music @ St Cyprian's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/musicstcyprians/

Follow the account to keep up to date!



Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Lenzie Branch

By the time you read this article our 150th Anniversary fundraiser, our Victoria Fete will have taken place. I know how much time and effort have gone into the preparations for this event and my thanks go to Sally and Catherine for all their organisation and enthusiasm. The total raised will be part of the next Cyprian Life article! Our Diocese has been challenged to raise £1500 so hopefully we will have made a good contribution to that total.

We opened the session with a soup and bread lunch and discussion on 2nd September (*above right*). One of the decisions reached was to change the meeting day to Thursday since many of us are already at church for the morning service.

In the middle of the month, a few of us attended the Big Picnic at St. Ninian's in



Troon. The weather was a bit mixed, but we were able to sit out and have our picnic with Sally providing some style in the form of a proper 1950s picnic hamper (*above*). There was also time for a variety of games before the rain became more insistent. We finished off the afternoon with a cutting and sharing of another 150th Anniversary Cake in front of the assembled company and the magnificent



mural in the church hall at Troon (*below opposite page*).

Our October joint service with Cumbernauld and Bishopbriggs did not in fact take place. The change to Thursday meeting did not suit either branch as they have their own services that day. We did however have our own service ably led by Sally Gorton followed by a light lunch. Sally had researched the origins of Mothers Union and the long term effect of our founder – Mary Sumner, going



into the detail of the development of MU and how it has grown to a worldwide organisation.

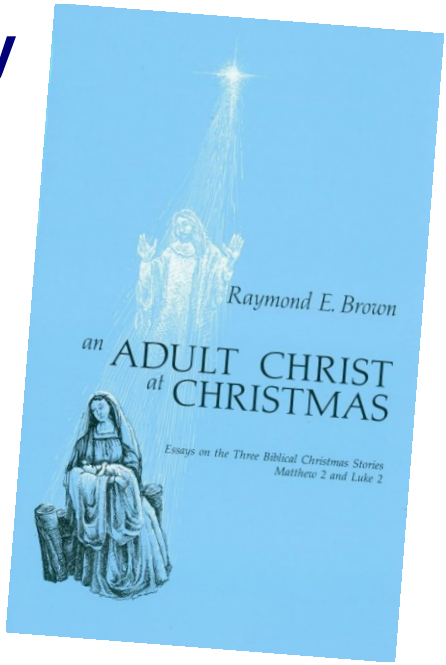
Our November meeting will be held on Thursday 12th at 11.30am where Audrey will lead on the topic of 'Remembrance'. This will be followed by a light lunch and fellowship as always.

Our group is open to all – we would love to have you join us at any or all of our meetings. Our programme for the year has now been finalised and copies are available at the back of the church for you to pick up.

Maxine Gow (Branch Leader)

Advent Book Study

This Advent season, we will engage with An Adult Christ at Christmas by the Rev. Raymond E. Brown. This academic exegesis looks at the birth narratives with which we are so familiar and helps us bring the adult Jesus back into these beloved stories as a way of deepening our understanding of their theological significance and discovering anew how the Christmas story points us towards the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Christ.



"In this digest of his longer work, The Birth of the Messiah, Father Brown puts the adult Christ back into Christmas, treating the infancy narratives of Matthew and Luke as the entire Gospel story in miniature." Together, we will explore these familiar passages with fresh eyes, uncovering the richness of the Gospel writers' message and reflecting on what it means for us to welcome Christ anew this Advent.

The course will gather Wednesdays 2, 9, and 16 December from 7-8pm. Please register your interest with Rev. Audrey so we can order the correct number of books.



Communion Recognition Sunday

The first Sunday of September was our Communion Recognition Sunday. It marked the acceptance into the Scottish Episcopal Church of Kerryanne (*right*) and the celebration of Communion Recognition for the members of the Informed Communion Class.

Some of the children made Banners to hang in the church. We asked them to tell us all about their banners. What they said is printed in the caption underneath the picture of their banner.

Naturally, we had to continue the celebration with some special refreshments in the hall, including a caterpillar cake!





Islay. "God's love showing the whole world about love. Communion joins everyone in the whole world together. The grapes go to make the wine and there is the bread too."



Abbie. "My family are all holding hands together, including Princess the hamster. God's love through Baptism and Communion is our blessing"





Nicole. “The sun represents the Light. The world represents everything to me.

The cloud means bad things happen sometimes.

The colourful mountains mean all the colourful things that have happened in my life.”

Hazel. “The crosses show that Jesus was crucified with two other men. Jesus said we must love the world.

The rest is about creation, God created the beautiful world and we must be careful not to spoil it.”





Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We are asked to pray every day for our Bishop Nick.

Please also pray for our Priest-in-Charge, Audrey, the Vestry and Congregation here at St Cyprian's as we continue on our journey together into the future.

NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday 1st November
ALL SAINTS

ANGLICAN
Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

DIOCESAN
St Augustine's, Dumbarton (Heller Gonzalez)

Daily Prayers

2nd The faithful departed

3rd Thanksgiving for living fellowship

4th Those who mourn

5th Deceased Clergy and Lay Readers

6th For abandoned and orphaned children

7th For the families of those who died in war

Sunday 8th November
Pentecost 24
(Remembrance Sunday)

ANGLICAN
Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

DIOCESAN
All Saints, Bearsden; (David Guest)
St Michael & All Angels, Helensburgh (Dominic Ind)

Daily Prayers

9th Erskine Hospital and nursing home

10th Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk)

11th The Scottish Poppy Appeal

12th Scottish Episcopal Church: Edinburgh (Bishop Dagmar Winter)

13th Kindness in all our dealings (International Kindness Day)

14th The Mothers' Union in Scotland

Sunday 15th November
Pentecost 25

ANGLICAN
Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

DIOCESAN
All Saints, Jordanhill (Vacant, Mary Bowden)

Daily Prayers

16th Porvoo Communion: The Church in Wales

17th Those in higher education (International Students Day)

18th For those struggling with poverty

19th For relief from famine and disease in East Africa

20th Diocesan Environmental Group (Stuart Bain, Ian Arbon, Susan Burr, Rebecca Cadie, Iain Johnstone, Petko Marinov)

21st Staff and patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes

Sunday 22nd November
The Last Sunday after Pentecost
(Christ the King)

ANGLICAN
The Church of England

DIOCESAN
St Aidan's, Clarkston and St Oswald's, King's Park (Alison Mathew)

Daily Prayers

23rd Porvoo Communion: Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Faroe Islands

& Daily Intentions

24th The work of the Mission Aviation Fellowship

25th Those working for the Elimination of Violence against Women (United Nations: International Day)

26th Those working in the postal and courier services

27th The Diocesan Property Committee

28th Those in training for ordained and lay ministries.

Sunday 29th November
Advent Sunday

ANGLICAN
Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

DIOCESAN
St Margaret of Scotland, Newlands (Gordon Fyfe, David Jasper, Charlotte Methuen)
St Ninian's, Pollokshields (Verity Brown, Kenneth Roach, Eamonn Rodgers)

Daily Prayers

30th The people of Scotland on this St Andrew's Day

DECEMBER 2026

1st Those living with HIV and AIDS

Altar Guild	
1st & 8th November	Maxine Gow
15th & 22nd November	Anne Carswell
29th November	Anne Carswell (Advent: Brasses only)

2nd Porvoo Communion: The Lusitanian Church of Portugal

3rd Thanksgiving for living fellowship

4th The rejection of discrimination and stigmatisation

5th The People of Finland (National Independence Day)

Sunday 6th December
Second Sunday of Advent

ANGLICAN
The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

DIOCESAN
Good Shepherd & Ascension, Hillington; Holy Trinity & St Barnabas, Paisley (Vacant, Bill Robertson)



Kalendar

NOVEMBER 2026

Sun 1st	**ALL SAINTS**	
	10.30am	**Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
	5pm	**All Saints' Day Evensong** with Concordia
Mon 2nd	**All Souls**	
Thu 5th	10am	Said Eucharist in Choir Vestry
Sun 8th	**Remembrance Sunday (Pentecost 24)**	
	10.30am	**Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
Thu 12th	10am	Said Eucharist in Choir Vestry
	11.30am	Mothers' Union Meeting in Choir Vestry (see page 8)
Sun 15th	**Pentecost 25**	
	10.30am	**Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
Mon 16th	**Margaret of Scotland, 1093**	
Sat 21st	7.30pm	**Music@St. Cypian's Concert** (see page 7)
Sun 22nd	**The Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King)**	
	10.30am	**Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)
Thu 26th	10am	Said Eucharist in Choir Vestry
Sat 28th	2-4pm	**Advent Wreath Making Event** (see page 5)

The Province is still providing online services at 11am on Sundays and at various other times. The details and links are at www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/

If any of this changes, we'll update our website and advise those who receive the Link by email of the changes. The Link can be downloaded from: link.stcyprianslenzie.com.
Sign up for the email at: stcyprianslenzie.com.

Fair Trade

St Cyprian's is a Fair Trade Church and is therefore committed to using Fair Trade products.

We are in contact with Marion Martin who holds a local stock of fair trade goods. Please contact the editor with any request for goods. We are hoping to provide a stall about four times a year, if there is a demand.

Please buy Fair Trade at the local shops when you can. Thank you.

Sun 29th **Advent Sunday**
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Mon 30th **Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland**

DECEMBER 2026

Wed 2nd 7-8pm **Advent Book Study** in Choir Vestry (see page 9)

Thu 3rd 10am Said Eucharist in Choir Vestry

Sun 6th **Second Sunday of Advent**
10.30am **Sung Eucharist** (in church and via Zoom)

Save-the-Date

13th December, 5pm - **Advent Carol Service**

Sunday Readings

ALL SAINTS
1st November 2026
Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 34:1-10
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

Pentecost 24 (Remembrance Sunday)
8th November 2026
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25
Psalm 78:1-7
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

Pentecost 25
15th November 2026
Judges 4:1-7
Psalm 123
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

The Last Sunday after Pentecost (Christ the King)
22nd November 2026
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 100
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46

Advent Sunday
29th November 2026
Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

Advent 2
6th December 2026
Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

Lectionary readings for the Scottish Episcopal Church can be found online at: www.seccalendar.org.uk/

Rotas

Date	Server	Reader	Intercessor	Sunday School	Coffee *
1st Nov.	Paul Hindle	David Taylor	Glennis Tavener	Aileen & Sally	Mike & Precious Mba
8th Nov.	Mary Haigh	Jill Taylor	Mary Haigh	Janet & Glennis	Sally Hadden
15th Nov.	Aileen Mundy	Di Farrell	Aileen Mundy	Judith & Janet	Eileen Ferry
22nd Nov.	Mary Haigh	Eileen Ferry	Jacqui Stother	Maxine & Judith	David & Jill Taylor
29th Nov.	Sally Hadden	Mary Boyd	Sally Hadden	Aileen & Maxine	Judith Beastal
6th Dec.	Mary Haigh	Kevin Wilbraham	Mary Haigh	Janet & Aileen	Maxine Gow
13th Dec.	Paul Hindle	Mike Mba	David Taylor	Sally & Glennis	Anne Carswell
20th Dec.	Mary Haigh	Mary Haigh	Mary Boyd	*Holiday*	Pat & Paul Hindle
27th Dec.	Sally Hadden	Janet Faughey	Jacqui Stother	*Holiday*	Mike & Precious Mba
3rd Jan.	Mary Haigh	Aileen Mundy	Maxine Gow	*Holiday*	Janet Faughey

* When you are on **coffee**, please bring milk, some biscuits and a couple of tea towels (remember to take them home after)