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Service Details

Sunday

8:00am Said Eucharist (1970 Rite)

9:30am Open Spirit Contemporary Worship

10:30am Sung Eucharist (1982 Rite)
Crèche and Sunday Clubs

6:30pm Prayer Group Choral Evensong

Tuesdays

10:30am Said Eucharist (1970 Rite) followed by refreshments

Thursdays

6:15pm Prayer Group in the Trinity Chapel

7:30pm Said Eucharist (1982 Rite)

For other services not listed here please see Diary (Page 10) inside



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From the Rector

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC.

The big news in this edition of The Messenger is that we have a new Director of Music, Organist, and Choir-leader. He is Mr. James Reed, and he is coming to H'burgh from Worksop in Nottinghamshire. James' first Sunday at St. Michael's will be September 4th. I know that you will all give him a very warm welcome. No doubt over the coming months we will get to know more about James and his experiences before coming here.

So, on behalf of you all, I am sure, I must extend heartfelt thanks to our locum organists who have provided us with Sunday music during the vacancy. Alice, Barbara, Marjory, Pauola, and Andrew, have all worked hard under less-than-ideal circumstances to rehearse and lead the choir and provide us with good music. Barbara, of course, has been the mainstay of the music for Evensong and for this we are very grateful indeed.

MISSION ACTION PLANNING.

The MAP-ing Team re-convenes on September 12th under the guidance of our Facilitator Gill Reynolds. We will be continuing to build on actions started during the past year, such as organising another Youth Vigil at Easter, overseeing the installation of the new notice-board in the south-west corner of church, hopefully organising a service to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of carers in our community. Under Gill's guidance we shall also be considering new actions we can initiate to try to reach out more effectively to our local community with the Good News of Jesus' love for all people.

I am sure that we all shared feelings of horror and disbelief at the assassination of Fr. Jacques Hamel

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as he presided at Mass in his church in France. It is a reminder that the Christian Faith faces an implacable foe in the form of so-called Islamic State. It is a reminder of the brutal persecution being meted out to our Christian sisters and brothers, and others, in various parts of the world, especially in the Middle East. In Central America, notably Honduras recently, Christian activists putting their faith into action by trying to protect indigenous peoples and protest at dangerously destructive industrial developments by multi-national companies, have also been cruelly assassinated by evil-minded people.

We should be deeply, deeply grateful that we can practise our Christian faith freely and in safety. But we should also recognise that this places a great responsibility on us, summarised in the words I pinned on the church notice-board recently - 'Preoccupation with the trivial must not blind us to the essential'. The 'essential' in this case is the duty we have placed upon us of announcing the Good News about Jesus Christ; that He not only forgives but gives us the strength to forgive, that He calls us to love even our enemies, that He can fill our hearts with peace even when we live in a world of horrendous violence, and stupefying cruelty and indifference and selfishness between peoples. The 'essential' is that we relegate to secondary importance the trivialities of religious organisation because we have to look outwards from our churches to take Jesus' love and blessings and grace into the surrounding community and the wider world.

God Bless you all.

The Rector

News

Thank you to everyone who has commented on the cover page. Since I had no negative comments and the Vestry agreed the coloured cover will continue. If anyone has a Christmas themed photo of the Church for the next edition, I would be pleased to use it.

I wish to thank Barbara Hoey for her years of organizing collation and distribution of the **MESSENGER**. Now that she has decided to step down, a new coordinator is required. The task mainly involves keeping the distribution folders up to date and seeking new volunteers when necessary. Please contact me if you are able to help.

Richard Smith, Editor

Notices

DIOCESAN GROWTH STRATEGY

The date for the next MAPping meeting to launch Year 2 of the St. Michael's Mission Action Plan will take place on Monday 12th September, at 19:30 in the rectory. After a

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successful presentation of progress with Year 1 when the Bishop made his Visitation in May, we want to maintain the momentum we have built up.

Kevin Boak

CHRISTIAN AID

A Christian Aid Tea Party will be held in St Michaels' Church Hall on Friday 16th September at 3:00pm.

John Hanks

HARVEST SUPPER

Harvest Supper Saturday Evening 8th October. We will be holding a harvest supper in multiple locations, all meeting later in the evening in the Church Hall for a sing-a-long - with two quintets, accompanied by Joan Thompson. Further details will be publicised later, and tickets at £5 each will be available in late August/early September. A draw will be made two weeks prior to the Supper to allocate you to your host. Proceeds from the event will go to Christian Aid.

John Hanks

Vestry Report July/August 2016

The Vestry met on 4th July. After prayers for spiritual guidance, the Vestry got down to business by considering 3 high priority issues first. These were:

Contract for the new organist, Interior notice board, and Exterior notice board.

NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST: The Rector began by reminding the Vestry of how important high quality music is to St Michael's church. It was then reported that Mr James Reed had been recommended by the selection sub-committee as their favoured candidate. He had impressed the choir at his audition. Also he is keen to expand the choir with younger members. However he needed to be informed of his selection by the end of the month because he will need to organise a move to the Helensburgh area. The Vestry agreed, after some debate, that James Reed be taken on as our Director of Music/Organist and a remuneration figure, to include local travel expenses, was finally authorised. It was also agreed that his contract should include a mutual review after 12 months in post. Vestry Secretary would email James Reed to inform him of his selection. His contract was subsequently approved out of committee, and he should be starting on 1st September.

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The Vestry very gratefully acknowledged the huge contribution made by our volunteer organists during the interregnum. Once in post, our new Director of Music will want to take full control of the musical life at St Michael's but the Vestry very much hoped that our volunteer organists will still be allowed to play a part.

INTERIOR NOTICE BOARD: The Vestry had already approved in principle that the installation of a good quality, movable 'trptych style' notice board in the SW corner of the church should go ahead, acknowledging that it will cost just over £3,000 because we are going for a high quality product which will be in keeping with the listed status of St Michael's. The project had been discussed at the North West Regional Committee, and it was reported that a contributory grant from the diocese to offset the cost is likely.

EXTERIOR NOTICE BOARD: Argyll & Bute have now acknowledged our planning application. A plan to the required scale has been re-submitted and the necessary application fee has been paid. Funding has been set aside for the project.

ST MICHAEL'S BROCHURE: The information brochure has been printed and copies are available for distribution. Vestry members agreed to take batches to pass around in their own areas. The Vestry thanked Richard Smith for his hard work in producing a good quality product which should help to make St Michaels church better known in the local area.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: The Stewardship Campaign is underway. Appeal letters have been produced for each member of the congregation, and were being collected, which will save postage. The Vestry acknowledged the inevitability of some letters being mis-directed, but that distribution had been guided by the best data on the St Michael's congregation that we have. In order to explain the background to the campaign, a simple display summarising our financial situation has been placed at the back of the church.

CHURCH CENSUS: The Scottish Church census had been completed on 8th May. A summary had been provided at the rear of the church which illustrated that we are a loyal congregation, but also an ageing one.

The following Property issues were discussed:

TOILET REFURBISHMENT: The much needed toilet refurbishment project is

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complete, and is a huge improvement. The Vestry recorded their sincere thanks to the anonymous donor who had generously funded this important project.

CHURCH INTERIOR REDECORATION: The church interior will need redecoration in the near future, before it really starts to deteriorate. This will not be cheap - quotes have been requested for consideration at the next meeting.

OLD BOILER ROOM & CRYPT AREAS: The crypt and old boiler room areas of St Michaels are useful spaces for storage, some of which is used by hall users. However most of these spaces are full of clutter and would benefit from clearing out. This will require a working party at some stage, and we will need volunteers.

The Vestry thanked Derek Spall for his continued stewardship of our church fabric.

FINANCE: An update on our financial situation was presented. In summary we are, on average, spending £1,500 more each month than we are earning. It was hoped the Stewardship Appeal would go some way to reversing this trend which clearly cannot continue.

The Sea Sunday Service collection raised £126.61 for Missions to Seafarers.

Having spent our agreed "Living Giving" amount this financial year, we still have £345 held back for emergencies.

The Vestry thanked the Treasurer for his continued efforts.

MESSENGER: Richard Smith drew the Vestry's attention to the new format for the **MESSENGER**. The new style cover costs £32 for 160 copies. The Vestry agreed that this was good value. A proposal that we could charge for the magazine was debated, but it was in the end agreed that the **MESSENGER** would continue to be free.

The Vestry congratulated Richard Smith for the work he had done.

FOOD HYGIENE: The issue of food hygiene remains unresolved. Catering is an important part of church events, but there are strict rules regarding food hygiene that we cannot ignore. Interim guidance on what is allowed had been agreed at the April meeting but more work is required. The Rector reminded the Vestry very firmly of the legal position. We have to take this issue seriously.

The way ahead is that a Food Hygiene sub-committee will be appointed to look

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into the issue, drawing on guidance available from the diocese and specialist advice, and produce guidance for St Michael's.

NEXT MEETINGS: On Mondays 5 Sep, 10 Oct, 7 Nov and AGM Sunday 11 Dec.

Mothers' Union

Dates for Your Diary:

Tuesday 6 September at 1.45 pm. Annual service and enrolment for new members.

Do come and encourage our latest recruits and renew our membership promises. Even if you are not a member you are welcome to join us.

Thursday 22 September 10.00 am. Inspiring or Despairing.

Over the months since we last met what have you found that has particularly inspired you or caused you to feel despair? Be prepared to tell us about it and relate it to a Bible verse or a hymn.

Tuesday 4 October at 1.45 pm. A New Hobby?

We're never too old to take up something new or renew our interest in something we used to do!

Thursday 20 October at 10.00 am. Street Pastors Glasgow.

Come and hear about the wonderful work these people carry out.

Watch out for other events coming up this winter under the auspices of Mothers' Union.

Joan Thompson, Branch Leader

Eco-congregation

At the first ever meeting of its kind, the World Council for Christian Meditation, held an Environment Meditatio in Sydney in the Spring of this year.

It brought together speakers from the disciplines of Theology, Philosophy, Science and Spirituality. It was a sobering reminder of the ecological crisis which we face and an inspiring call to action. Father Lawrence Freeman the leader of Meditatio, said this "I suggest that on our current trajectory the human species could well be engaging in an act of suicide." He maintained that whilst the earth will endure, human beings are putting themselves and countless other species

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at risk of extinction. He later went on to affirm that Meditation was a form of action and interior work which could be a great support to environmental advocacy.

On reading this I was very much heartened. It is so often the case that one feels powerless to contribute usefully to such an epic crisis. To join with others or alone and Meditate on the Creation IS an act of interior work, and is a contribution in itself, which can bear fruit in ways which we cannot know about. Also Meditation fosters a contemplative attitude to life, and reconnects us with ourselves as part of Nature, and shows us the sinfulness of our pride in Technology which gives us a false sense of our power over the world. I am reminded of the words of the Prayer Book.

"We have no power of ourselves, to help ourselves."

May I remind everyone at this juncture, that CREATION TIME starts on 1st September and goes on until 4th October? This is a worldwide activity and is accompanied in many churches by services and liturgical activities. I hope we at St Michael's may be able to add our voices to the chorus.

DATES in SEPTEMBER

Monday 5th Sept. Local Network Meeting at Alexandria Parish Church 10:30. Helensburgh and Lomond Group.

Saturday 17th Mini-Gathering of of All Argyll Regional Network Gathering at Glencruitten House Oban PA34 4 QB 10-3:30.

or

Saturday 17th you can go to Gartocharn where our own Mary Sweetland is having Open House as part of a scheme by Green Homes Network and Energy Saving Trust to show how modern techniques can reduce energy use to almost zero. (Maryville, Gartocharn, Alexandria G83 8RX)

Incidentally if you are of a practical bent, you might be interested to look up Viridor.co.uk and Glasgow City Council. There is a joint venture underway to finish a new recycling centre by the end of this year. It will take 200,000 tons of waste and turn it into energy and bio-fuels etc. It is one of the first of its kind in Europe, so Glasgow may be leading the way in something again. GRREC is the name of the project.

Selina McGeoch

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Saturday 3rd September

9:00am Rambling Club – Cort-ma-Law

Sunday 4th September - Fifteenth After

Trinity

Choral Prayer Book Evensong restarts

Monday 5th September

10:30am Eco meeting Alexandria

7:30pm Vestry meeting in Rectory

Tuesday 6th September

1:45pm Mothers' Union Annual Service and Enrolment

Thursday 8th September

10:30pm Monthly Coffee Morning

Sunday 11th September – Sixteenth After

Trinity

Monday 12th September

7:30pm MAP meeting in Rectory

Tuesday 13th September

10:30am Feast-day of the Holy Cross

Thursday 15th September

7:00pm Feast-day of St. Ninian/Mungo

Friday 16th September

3:00pm Christian Aid Tea Party Church Hall

Saturday 17th September

9:00am Rambling Club – Bracklin Falls

10:00am-3:30pm Eco Gathering Oban *or*

Open House Gartocharn

Sunday 18th September – Seventeenth

After Trinity

Tuesday 20th September

10:30am Feast-day of St. Matthew

Thursday 22nd September

10:00am MU Inspiring or Despairing

Saturday 24th September

10:30am-12:30pm Messy Church at St.

Margaret's, Churchill

Sunday 25th September – Eighteenth

After Trinity

Thursday 29th September

7:00pm Feast-day of St. Michael & All Angels

Saturday 1st October

9:00am Rambling Club – Muirshiel

Sunday 2nd October – Nineteenth After

Trinity

Monday 3rd October

7:30pm Vestry meeting in Rectory

Tuesday 4th October

1:45pm Mothers' Union A New Hobby?

Thursday 6th October

10:30pm Monthly Coffee Morning

Saturday 8th October

7:00pm and 9:00pm Harvest Supper

(Please see elsewhere for details)

Sunday 9th October – Twentieth After

Trinity - Harvest Thanksgiving

Saturday 15th October

9:00am Rambling Club – TBA

Sunday 16th October – Twenty-first After

Trinity

Tuesday 18th October

10:30am Feast-day of St. Luke

Thursday 20th October

10:00am MU Street Pastors Glasgow

Sunday 23rd October – Twenty-Second

After Trinity

Saturday 29th October

9:00am Rambling Club – TBA

10:30am-12:30pm Messy Church at

United Reformed Church

Sunday 30th October – Fourth Before

Advent

Director of Music

Dear members of St Michael's,

My name is James Reed, and I've just recently been appointed as the new organist/choirmaster to the congregation - this is a great honour for me, as I love the Anglican Church (particularly as I encountered it in our sisters and brothers across the Atlantic in the ECUSA) and I have been searching for a warm and welcoming parish now for some months where I can serve as the parish musician whilst discerning the next stage in my life and the path which Our Lord wishes me to take in his service.

I'm 36 years old with no children, and my parents and sister live down south in England in the Stamford area. After the customary background as a boy chorister I studied for my GCSEs and A Levels at a minor public school in England, before leaving and moving to the USA to work for 5 years as a church musician before returning to the UK to read law at Durham University. Afterwards, I spent a year as School Organist at Stowe School in Buckinghamshire, and five years working in Scandinavia as an organist; and now I am coming up to Helensburgh, hopefully for some years, and looking very much forward to it! My fiancée, Ase, is finishing her medical school studies abroad, and then we hope to get married and settled down in Scotland.

The first goal that I have set myself at St Michael's is to work on trying to add some young people to the ranks of the parish choir, as I think that the lifeblood of any parish music ministry is the involvement of young people and their families. So, if you know any children or, more likely, parents of young children (aged 8 and up) please do suggest that they get in contact with me (07746 961838 / jnmr84094@gmail.com) and consider joining our church choir here at St Michael's. I do intend to try and add a midweek rehearsal for the trebles in the choir once we have a core group of them, but for now they would only need to come to the rehearsals before the services on Sundays.

I am very excited about coming up to join you in September. I look forward to meeting you all and getting to know you, and am especially excited to be working with David the rector, and the enthusiastic and hard-working parish choir (have YOU considered joining??)

In His service,

James Reed

The Beacon Trust

It is that time of year again that I start getting gentle nudges from Paul. He has got the yearly accounts done and dusted and all that is required now is my yearly report. I have done this over twenty times now and you would think it would come easy. It doesn't. Over the last few years it has become a struggle to remain upbeat in its contents. Should I be optimistic or pessimistic in my approach to writing it. It would also help if I really knew what these big words mean and into which category I fell. A quick search on line and I am fully enlightened.

The first thing it came up with was optimists believe they are in control. That's me I thought, fully in control until I remembered without Jean and Andrea running things from the shop there would be utter chaos. They have had all the organising of collections, deliveries, shop layout etc. I ask them for guidance in shop affairs. Optimists are also forward-looking; I keep looking back to what the Beacon Trust used to be like. The years spent in Kirkmichael for free before our move down to the present shop with the ongoing struggle to raise £600 each month in rent. Optimists are confident in themselves. I am confident that my boss up above calls the shots and the Trust will be there as long as he needs it. Optimists see possibility, pessimists see a problem. The problem that I see is very selfish. I would have big problems if Jean or Andrea had to quit, their commitment has always been above reproach and I rely on them totally for the day to day running. The pessimist says, "things are awful, they could not get any worse." The optimist says, "yes they could." It could only get worse if we let it and that is one thing we have no intention of doing. Whatever it takes we will keep going until the Boss calls time.

So what am I, optimist or pessimist? Well an American survey clinched it for me. Optimists have better but shorter lives. Pessimists live longer. I'll go for the longevity looking optimistically forward.
Trevor McGrath MBE

The Servant Queen

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The Queen has served us all her adult life. From 10th-12th June 2016 the country and Commonwealth celebrated her 90th birthday. It was an amazing opportunity for churches to bring communities together to say thank you: thank you to God for a faithful life well lived, and thank you to the Queen for her unstinting service.
Margaret Fromow

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WORKING WITH THE UN FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Rachael Fraser, a member of St James the Less Episcopal Church in Bishopbriggs, part of the Scottish Episcopal Church, is a student of International Relations at the University of St Andrews. She recently attended a week-long training course on human rights advocacy for faith-based organisations organised by the Lutheran World Federation in Geneva. In this column, she reflects on the week.

The focus of the training was around the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (1979), otherwise known as CEDAW, which was a landmark convention for women's rights globally. It was an incredibly busy week, with lots to cram in; lots to discuss and lots of individuals to hear from.

My first impression of the group attending was how diverse we were. Numbering nearly 50, we came from many corners of the world. We were of different ages, different races, different cultures, different jobs – all different walks of life. I also felt a little out of my depth. There were many questions of “so who do you work for?” and a lot of explaining that I was actually still studying at university and had been sent by the Anglican Communion Office. As much as I felt somewhat underqualified to attend, as the week went on I learned so much from the men and women around me and from the wealth of experience they brought to the discussions – I also felt that I had something valuable to bring to the table, and as everyone had individual experiences, everyone had something to contribute from their respective perspectives.

We heard from representatives of church aid organisations (Church of Sweden, Mission 21, LWF, World YWCA, to name a few) who acknowledged the increasingly shrinking space afforded to civil society in engaging with UN mechanisms – and especially those faith organisations striving for human rights to be upheld. One particular highlight for me was hearing from Jane Connors, who works for Amnesty International but previously worked for the United Nations, who spoke candidly of her experiences and her recommendations of how to engage with UN mechanisms, and to hold countries accountable for their ratification of CEDAW.

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Throughout the week we also heard from training attendees themselves, who shared their particular experiences of working in faith-based human rights advocacy, and sharing of best practices. In hearing from these experts, we were able to learn ways to engage with UN mechanisms as civil society organisations. I learned a great deal from these discussions, and I am now thinking of ways that my church (and others) can better work alongside the United Nations.

The highlight and focal point for many during the week was a visit to UN's headquarters in Geneva, to attend a session of the committee whose job is to ensure that those who ratified CEDAW are taking necessary steps to eradicate discrimination against women. This day included a lunch during which we met some members of the committee, which was hugely informative and gave us a small insight into the backgrounds and minds of those doing this work. Seeing the committee in session was fascinating – there was a lot of question avoiding from the country under review (Myanmar), but the committee members kept them on their toes. A thoroughly interesting and informative morning.

I particularly enjoyed a session on forum theatre from Claudia Signoretti, which encouraged us to use our bodies and physical movements to draw out stereotypes, think about the way that particular actions perpetuate these stereotypes, and using theatre to highlight and address gender based violence.

Overall, it was an action packed week and I learned a huge amount from those around me. I had hugely enriching discussions, and made connections across the world that will be invaluable in the work ahead. Huge thanks go to Terrie Robinson and the Anglican Communion Office in London who arranged for me to attend, and for all the support you have given me!

I will leave you with a quote that Martin Junge, general secretary of the LWF, shared with us during his opening remarks:

“For those who have heard and seen how God wants this world to be, it is hard to accept how this world is.”

Let's work towards how God wants our world to be.

ST MICHAEL'S RAMBLING CLUB

WALKS SEPTEMBER TO OCTOBER 2016

Walks are on Saturdays and start outside St Michael's Church at 9 am unless otherwise indicated by the leaders of the individual walks.

DATE	GRADE	WALK	ORGANISER
3 rd September	Hard	Cort-ma-Law	Richard Horrell 01436 676936
17 th September	Easy/Hard	Bracklin Falls	Jo Scott 01389 849145
1 st October	Easy/Hard	Muirshiel Country Park	Jo Scott 01389 849145
15 th October		To be advised	
29 th October		To be advised	

The grade (or the walk) may change after a recce. There will normally be an easy(ish) option.

Further information will be sent out nearer the time of each walk and copies put on the notice board in the Church Hall.

The committee members are now:
John Lewis 01389 841592, Ethnee Ashton 01436 676959, Richard Horrell 01436 676936 and Jo Scott 01389 849145.

If you would like to lead a future walk or to suggest one, your committee would be delighted to hear from you.



LECTIONARY – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Sunday	Eucharist	Evensong
4 th September Trinity 15	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33	Exodus 14:5-31 Matthew 6:1-18 Psalm 119:49-56
11 th September Trinity 16	Exodus 32:7-14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10	Exodus 18:13-26 Matthew 7:1-14 Psalm 119:81-88
18 th September Trinity 17	Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13	Exodus 19:10-25 Matthew 8:23-34 Psalm 119:145-152
25 th September Trinity 18	Amos 6:1a+4-7 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31	Exodus 24:1-18 Matthew 9:1-8 Psalms 120,121
2 nd October Trinity 19	Habbakuk 1:1-4+2:1-4 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10	Joshua 3:7-17 Matthew 10:1-22 Psalms 125,126
9 th October Trinity 20 Harvest Thanksgiving	2 Kings 5:1-3+7-15c 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19	Joshua 5:13-6:20 Matthew 11:20-30 Psalms 127,128
16 th October Trinity 21	Genesis 32:22-31 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8	Joshua 14:6-14 Matthew 12:1-21 Psalm 141
23 rd October Trinity 22	Ecclesiastes 35:12-17 2 Timothy 4:6-8+16-18 Luke 18:9-14	Ecclesiastes 12:1-14 1 Corinthians 10:15-24 Psalm 119:121-128
30 th October Trinity 23	Isaiah 1:10-18 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4+11-12 Luke 19:1-10	Daniel 2:1-11+25-48 Matthew 5:1-12 Psalm 145:1-9

READERS' LIST – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

DATE	8:00am	10:30am	6:30pm
4 th Sep	Net Lawrence	Lena Sutter	Maureen McCormack
11 th Sep	Nigel Allan	Michael Blake	Jill Braid
18 th Sep	John MacCallum	John Hanks	David Ronald
24 th Sep	Chris Sanders	Chris Packard	John Sadden
2 nd Oct	Selina McGeoch	Tom Allison	Joan Sadden
9 th Oct	Penny Johnston	Julie Semens	Margaret Gilbert
16 th Oct	Antony Laceby	Helen Gibson	Penny Johnston
23 rd Oct	Net Lawrence	Susan Lewis	Maurice Steuart-Corry
30 th Oct	Nigel Allan	Richard Smith	Maureen McCormack

Spirit of our Loving God
 In your mercy and compassion
 Inspire, encourage and empower us
 To live and work together
 As a Diocese
 To allow your mission for us
 To take flesh
 Through Jesus Christ
 Our Living and Eternal Lord
 Amen



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 Flowers
 Intercessions Rota, Laundry, Soft
 Fabrics and Chief Sacristan
 Sunday Coffee Rota
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 Us (formerly USPG)
 Keep Fit/ Hall Convener/
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