

# March 2026

St Andrew's Scottish Episcopal Church,  
Milngavie, G62 6PJ

*Regular services  
to which all are welcome*

10am Sundays                      Sung Eucharist

10am Thursdays                Said Eucharist

On Tuesdays at 10am an inter-church prayer  
group takes place in the Garden Room.

## Holy Week

begins on 29<sup>th</sup> March during which there will be  
an ecumenical service at 7.30pm in the UF Church  
organised by the Milngavie Association of Churches.

At St Andrew's the regular Thursday Morning  
service at 10am will be the traditional Maundy  
Thursday Service and at 2pm on Good Friday  
there will be our traditional last-hour service.

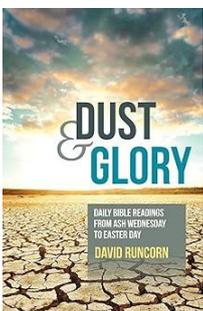


## Lowly Crocus

Herald of the Spring  
purple, gold and white  
clothed in green.  
Majestic purple,  
preparation for his crowning glory.  
Gold for our King,  
white raiment  
lying in the tomb.

Sue Brough 2019

## Lent



The Lent Bible Study with All Saints' Church continues on Tuesdays at 2pm on March 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st in its small hall in Drymen Road, Bearsden.

It is a book of daily Bible readings broken up into the six weeks of Lent. Not too late to join – all welcome.

## Farewell from Andrea



On March 1st we celebrated the 2nd Sunday of Lent, my last service as your Rector. We had a lovely service, obviously with mixed emotions, but it was a great celebration of ministry at St Andrew's.

Thank you all for coming and especially the choir that sang so beautifully. This was followed by a wonderful lunch which we all enjoyed. Delicious soups followed by even more delicious puds were quickly consumed.

The star of the show was Clare's amazing cake, which stood several storeys high, perfectly straight, and covered in pale pink icing surrounded by raspberries. It looked too good to eat, but that sentiment didn't last long and all too soon it was being heartily demolished.



The choir then piped up again with a great and very amusing rendition of the Sound of Music's "So long, farewell"

words written by Steve McVey.

Speeches were then given and presents exchanged. Stephen and I can't thank you enough for all your kind words and generous presents, we were quite overwhelmed by it all. I shall so enjoy the champagne, puzzles, books, flowers, wrapping paper and your very generous cheque, I shall treasure it all. The dogs also were thrilled with their treats!

Once again thank you for a tremendous send off. It was a day, always to be remembered, filled with love, good wishes and a few tears!

Love and blessings to you all

Andrea Hagenbuch

## Glasgow City Mission Bi-Centenary

Members of St Andrew's congregation may recall that in 2020 Glasgow City Mission (GCM) had been the charity chosen as the beneficiary of the Bishop's Lent Appeal in previous years. This year the Mission celebrates 200 years of service to vulnerable people in Glasgow, plus its impact on the global City Mission Movement.

Glasgow City Mission was founded in 1826 by a 26 year old Glaswegian, David Naismith, who was deeply moved by the suffering he saw in Glasgow caused by poverty and overcrowding. His Christian faith guided his decision to found the world's first City Mission in Glasgow, from where the vision spread across Scotland, England, Ireland and then internationally. From the beginning the Mission supported the marginalised by offering both practical and spiritual care.

The nature of this care has changed and adapted over the 200 years to meet the needs of the time but it still encompasses both practical and spiritual care. A glimpse of the variety of support given over the years is available on the Mission's website where a special edition of their magazine *Contact* can be read, as well as more detailed information on three of their main current projects:

- the Winter Project which supports those at risks of rough sleeping and journeys with guests (GCM's name for those it helps) from hostel to home.
- the City Centre Project from their base in Crimea Street, a purpose built 5-storey building opened in 2009. (On the first Friday of each month the building is open for a free tour where the work of the Mission can be explored - see website for details.)  
[www.glasgowcitymission.com](http://www.glasgowcitymission.com)
- the Child and Family Centre in Govan.

To mark 200 years of service GCM has commissioned a Bi-centenary Tartan. Its colours are inspired by the colours of the city, said to include Glasgow's blue and grey skies and their reflection in the water of the Clyde, the green of the city's parks and the red and golden hues of the sandstone buildings. A number of tartan items are available for sale, such sales supporting the work of Glasgow City Mission. They can be viewed on the website and purchased by contacting the Mission's head office.

Deirdre Holding

## Dorcas Group Update

The Dorcas group met at the end of February for another productive day. We're nearly there with our knitted blanket and we made a start on the embroidered bags.



£30 was donated to British Red Cross work in Ukraine. We meet again on Monday 23 March at 11.15am in St Andrew's Hall to continue work on the embroidery.

All are welcome to join the group, even for one session.

## Book Group



Angela has chosen 'My Father's House' by Joseph O'Connor for our next book, meeting on 26th March. All ten of us met at Liz's to discuss her chosen book, 'The Place of Tides' by James Rebanks. It's set in the islands off the northern coast of Norway, now a UNESCO site.

It's the true story of one inspiring woman's dedication to keeping alive the ancient tradition of rearing Eider ducks and the production of Eiderdown. It was a fascinating and calming read which we all enjoyed.



## Update on Building Repairs

The masonry work is nearly complete [Pamela would be delighted with the repaired brickwork by the Park Road steps!] Next: gutters and emergency lighting.

## Scotland Provincial Church News

A new edition was published at the end of February:

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/who-we-are/publications/inspires/>

## Useful Contacts

*The Vestry, as the Charity Trustees, will liaise with the Bishop who will appoint a new Rector to succeed Andrea. Office Bearers and other Vestry members are listed below.*

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