

Brechin Bulletin

13 November 2025

Right Rev Bob Halliday, former Bishop of Brechin, has Died

We have just received the news that Bishop Bob Halliday, Bishop of Brechin from 1990-96, has died in Edinburgh at the age of 93. Please keep him and his family in prayer, and more details of obituary and services will be shared in future editions.

Rev Professor Annalu Waller OBE on the Move to an Exciting Senior Role at the University of Salford

It was announced at the recent Diocesan Synod that the Rev Professor Annalu Waller OBE has been appointed by the University of Salford as the new Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dean of the School of Science, Engineering & Environment. This is a very senior role in the leadership of this outstanding higher education institution.

Annalu is very well known as a 'self-supporting minister' in the Diocese of Brechin and in the wider Scottish Episcopal Church. Originally a native of South Africa, in her time since coming to the University of Dundee in 1989, she has, among many areas of work, directed the world-leading Dundee Assistive Technology and Augmentative and Alternative



Communication (AT&AAC) Research Group. She was awarded an OBE in the 2016 New Year Honours List for services to people with complex communication needs and was awarded an Honorary Fellowship by the Royal College Of Speech and Language Therapists in 2017.

Annalu trained for ordained ministry in TISEC, the forerunner of SEI, and was ordained deacon in 2004 and priest in 2005. She is active in the Chaplaincy in Dundee University as well as her world leading work in re-

search. She has been a licensed priest in the Diocese since that time, and will continue to hold a permission from Brechin as she moves to Salford.

Annalu will be starting her new role in the New Year and as well as offering her prayer and congratulations for this phenomenal new role, we look forward to regularly welcoming her back home again to Dundee.

Licensing Services for Rev Lynn Davidson: 22 November

Rev Lynn Davidson will be licensed as Priest in Charge for All Souls Invergowrie and St. Margarets on 22 November. There will be two services held that day as she starts her ministry in these two communities. The first starts at St. Margaret's at 11am followed by All Souls at 2pm. All at very welcome at either service, or both, if you are able to come!



The Rev Lynn Davidson (Photo L Davidson)

Clergy (Alb & White Stole) and Lay Readers are invited to robe as part of these services. Please let the office know for numbers if you are planning on attending.

St. Ninians Dundee Fundraising Ceilidh for Gaza: Friday 14 November, 7.30pm

An evening of dancing and music led by Cross Connections Ceilidh Band. Suggested minimum donation is £5. All proceeds to Disaster Emergency Relief Fund (Gaza). BYOB—Stovies will be served at the break. Contact Dean Kenneth for further info. 07825554419

Remote 'Net Zero' Roadshow: 20 November, from 10am-1:30pm.

From the Net Zero Team: We hope this will be accessible to those who were unable to attend their Dioc-

esan Net Zero Roadshow event, perhaps due to travel limitations or unavailability on a Saturday. Contributions will include webinars and workshops, tackling a range of subjects e.g. funding, climate justice and building improvements, as well as time for sharing stories in breakout rooms.

You can register for this roadshow event [here](#).

Concert Weekend at St. James, Stonehaven

Concert by the Rock Choir: Saturday 22 November at 7pm

St. James will once again host the Rock Choir on Saturday 22 November at 3pm. Tickets are available at the door for £10 or call Paula 07710529694 or Jane 07821191211. Entry tickets to include a glass of wine/tea/coffee. Raffle tickets will also be on sale.

Concert for Hope: Sunday 23rd November at 3pm

Come enjoy a night of music at St. James with all proceeds going to Project Pure Hope, an organisation whose aim is "providing life-saving medical care and support to children who are victims of conflict". Playing for the concert will be Ian Lovegrove on the organ, Daniel Clunas on piano, Connal McKay on guitar, Imogene Newland on piano, Geoff Palmer on cello and Simon Rendell on oboe. Entry is free with donations very welcome.

The Friends of St Paul's Cathedral Dundee present "The Singing City": Saturday November 29th at 2pm

Come to St. Pauls for an afternoon of music and stories with Sheena Wellington. Cost £5 including refreshments. All are welcome!

Tenth Annual SEI Lecture: Scottish Theology and Scot-Land by Dr. Dafydd Daniel

Dr Dafydd Mills Daniel, Lecturer in Divinity, School of Divinity, St Andrews University, offered the Tenth Annual Scottish Episcopal Institute Lecture on Thursday 30 October under the title 'Scottish Theology and Scot-land. The recording of the lecture is available [here](#).

SEI Advent Series 2025

Rev Prof Swarup Bar will present a series of four talks in Advent 2025 on '19th–20th-Century Indian

Christian Theologies' on Mondays 1, 8, 15 and 22 December 2025 at 5pm.

1. Monday 1 December: Context for the development of Indian Christian theologies
2. Monday 8 December: Indian Renaissance and Christian theology
3. Monday 15 December: Interfaith dialogue
4. Monday 22 December: Indian traditional Christologies.

Save the date and keep an eye out for access details.

GoHealth's "The Chaplaincy Course: Presence and Healing"

Booking has opened for GoHealth's The Chaplaincy Course: Presence and Healing.

This updated course inspires and empowers chaplains in their crucial work to feel confident in the unique value of Christian chaplaincy within multidisciplinary teams. Dive into the **science** behind pastoral ministry, explore the complexities of dealing with **trauma** and connect with others to learn how to **flourish** faithfully in this carefully designed learning experience which is delivered live online. This course is made up of three workshops running from 10:30-12:30, on the 5th, 12th and 19th February with an optional follow up session.

Early bird discounts available until the end of November. For more details click [here](#).

An Advent Calendar Poetry Study

Catherine Black is a member of Holy Trinity/Church of the Holy Rood within the Brechin Diocese. She This year she has completed a study book for advent that contains a collection of 25 of her poem alongside a daily bible reading and reflection. Each day allows the reader to take a short time out to reflect on their personal faith journey as they prepare and wait in anticipation through Advent. Hard copies will be available mid November but you can pre order by emailing at cathe-rine.black09@icloud.com Purchase price is £8 per book. Postage and packaging is an extra £2 with discounted postage on bulk orders on request. ALL profits from the first 125 books sold will be donated to Holy Trinity, Monifieth's Starfish projects.

Any news or upcoming events to share in the Bulletin?