Welcome to Saint Ternan's

Scottish Episcopal Church

19 February 2012

Next Sunday before Lent
Quinquagesima

Readings for Today

(New Revised Standard Version)

Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the 2nd Book of Kings

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know;

keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho.

The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Reader: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark
People: Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to Christ our Lord

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Source of the Readings: 2 Kings 2.1-12; Mark 9.2-9

Prayers for This Week

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the **Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America**. **In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for the Congregation of St Colman's, Burravoe on the Isle of Yell, Shetland (most northerly congregation in the UK). **In Banchory,** we pray for all those who work with young people. **On our Parish Prayer List we pray for**: Cynthia; Ron; Ali; David and Sheila; Alison; Lynn; Philip and Barbara; Jessica Rose and her parents, Samantha and Ben; Adam and his family; Winifred; Muriel; Sophie and her family; Marion; Eleanor; Margaret; Geoff; Jeffrey; Doreen; Cora; Anne; Pat; Will**;** Barbara; Sandy and Jeanie; Hilda; Mary; Monica; Oliver; James; Patricia; Phyllis; and all those we hold quietly in our hearts**.**

We give thanks for all those who work together to lead our worship.		
	THIS WEEK **19 February** **Quinquagesima** **Sunday before Lent** **All Age & Matins**	**NEXT WEEK** **26 February** **First Sunday of Lent** **Eucharist**
Welcomers	Barbara Brind Lise Stoodley	Charlie Patton Michael Price Ken Elliott
Readers	Michael Johnson Jill Pritchard	Michael Price Colin Champion
Acolyte	--	Alexandra McEwan
Worship Leader - Word	Andy Bond: All Age Colin Champion: Matins	Peter Young
Worship Leader - Table	Lisa Eunson: All Age And following Matins	Lisa Eunson
Preacher	--	Lisa Eunson
Intercessions	--	Ken Elliott
Chalice Bearers	Jane Selwyn Bailey	Ryan Bond Andy Bond
Sunday School	--	Alison McEwan Emily Patton
Organist/Musician	Simon Glenarthur	Simon Glenarthur
Coffees	Roger and Rosalind Eames	Ryan and Andy Bond
Private Prayer after the Service	Lisa Eunson	Lisa Eunson

On Sunday 19 February Lisa will be at Christ Church, Kincardine O'Neil, returning in time for Eucharist at the All Age Service and the Communion which follows Matins.

Pattern of Worship at St Ternan's

WEEKDAYS

Tuesdays 9.00 am – *Simple Communion with Discussion in the Church Vestry*

Thursdays 10.15am – *Prayer Book Communion in the Choir Stalls*

SUNDAYS

8.00 am *Simple Eucharist*

11.00 am

1st, 2nd, and 4th Sundays - Eucharist with Choir

3rd Sundays – two options:

Choral Matins *in the Church*

All Age Contemporary Eucharist *Service in the Church Hall*

5th Sundays – Family Communion Service with Choir

(contemporary translation of traditional forms)

6.30 pm - First Sundays- Traditional Evensong

All ages are welcome to participate in our worship.

Sunday School is available during the 11 o'clock service except on the third and fifth Sundays when the worship is designed for all ages.

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Saint Ternan's Church is open every day for quiet reflection.

If you know someone who needs a special prayer or visit,
please contact Lisa or one of the wardens:
Sue Roberts or Fay Booth.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 20 Feb 8pm: Parish Fellowship – Andrew Nicol on CLAN

Wednesday 22 Feb: Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)
7.30pm – Service of Imposition of Ashes

Saturday 25 Feb noon – 2pm: Soup Lunch, West Church Hall
In aid of Christian Aid

Keeping a Holy Lent

LENT TALKS AROUND THE DIOCESE

Dr. Sharon Jebb Smith, who has studied literature and theology will be giving three talks on three great Christian writers, looking in particular at one theme from each. Each talk will include time for discussion.

March 4th, St Devenick's, Bieldside, 6.00pm: **Augustine and Transformation**
Exploring Augustine's journey of transformation as recorded in ***Confessions,*** his account of his early life, told in soaring prose; one of the most influential books in Christianity, and still a rich source of spiritual food for post-modern society.

March 18th, All Saints, Whiterashes, 3.00pm: **Julian of Norwich and Joy**
Julian of Norwich, a medieval religious solitary, had a series of visions as a young woman which she pondered for the rest of her life, and which are increasingly being rediscovered as a source of rich and productive theology. This talk will consider what we can learn from her, with particular emphasis on joy.

April 1st, St Mary on the Rock, Ellon, 6.00pm: **C.S. Lewis and the Self**
C.S. Lewis was one of the twentieth century's great Christian teachers and writers, and his stories and thought continue to be relevant in many ways. This talk will explore his ideas on the self, tracing the development in his thinking on the topic, especially as seen in some of his later work.

For more information contact: Rev. Paul Watson 01224 861552
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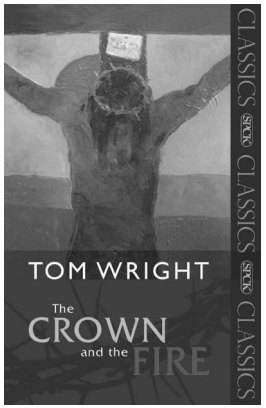

St Ternan's Lent Series
Thursdays 11am – 1pm
23 Feb, 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March

The Crown and the Fire
Meditations on the Cross
and the Life of the Spirit

Instead of the seven words that Jesus spoke from the cross, Tom Wright invites you to consider seven words that people spoke to the cross – people like Mary and the Roman centurion, who witnessed the crucifixion, and Pontius Pilate, who helped to instigate it. The result is a powerful sequence of meditations that will move you to reassess your own response to Jesus' death and resurrection, and contemplate the continuing influence of his Spirit on those who follow him today.

Tom Wright is the former Bishop of Durham and now Professor at St Andrews' University in St Andrews (and so a member of the Scottish Episcopal Church!) He is a regular broadcaster and radio and television and the author of over 40 books, including the 'For Everyone' guides.

The Thursday gatherings at St Ternan's will centre on these meditations from *The Crown and the Fire*, allowing time for listening, quiet, prayer, and discussion. By popular demand, soup will be served.

For more information, or to help with the hospitality, please contact Ken Elliott or Lisa Eunson.