



29th May 2026

## June Presbytery Meeting

Fife Presbytery is called to meet for ordinary business on Saturday 20th June 2026 at 10am in Heart of Fife Church (St Margaret's), 228 Woodside Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5HD.

We will constitute with worship at 10am, with tea and coffee available from 9.30am. A reminder that lunches are not provided so Presbyters should bring their own, however tea and coffee will be served over the lunch time break.

The papers for this meeting will be sent out ahead of time (around June 10th) by email to all Presbyters. If you are unable to attend the meeting, send note of your apologies to Evelyn at: [econnell@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:econnell@churchofscotland.org.uk)



## Service of Introduction – Pamela Scott DCS

There will be a meeting of Fife Presbytery on Sunday 7th of June 2026 at 2.45pm when it meets in Langtoun Church (St Bryce Building, Kirk Wynd, Kirkcaldy, KY1 1ET) for the introduction of Pamela Scott DCS as a Deacon, and member of the ministry team at Langtoun Central Church of Scotland.

## Mission Planning Update

Fife Presbytery Mission Plan Implementation Group is pleased to report that it has approved the Basis of Deferred Union for Dysart St Clair Church and Pathhead Parish Church following the majority results at the congregational votes on Sunday 10th May 2026.

The committee expresses its thanks to the members of the Steering Group, and other offices bearers for their prayerful work and discernment throughout the processes. We assure you of prayers of all at Presbytery in the weeks and months to come.

## Vacancy Procedure Update

Following the approval of the Basis of Deferred Union, the committee have granted Dysart St Clair and Pathhead the Right to Call on a 7 year Reviewable Charge.

## Re:Imagine Mission - Postponed

The Re:Imagining Mission event, which was due to take place this Saturday 30th May, **has been postponed until a later date**. We will keep you updated once a new date has been decided.

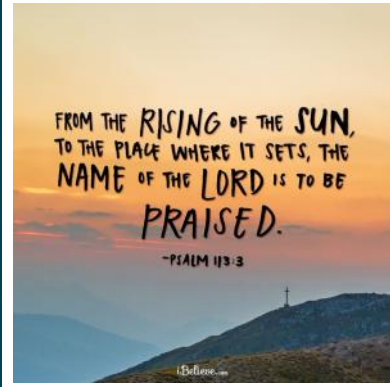
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# Presbytery News



## Morag Crawford DCS

Morag Crawford DCS passed away peacefully at home on Sunday the 17th May. Morag was commissioned as a Deacon in 1977 in Drylaw Church in Edinburgh and was a constant within the Diaconate, faithful to her call, living out the servant life of the Lord. She supported, advised and trained so many people who came through training and after. Her spirit, knowledge and commitment will be missed by all who knew her.

A celebration of Morag's life will be held at Bathgate Parish Church at 12:30pm on Monday the 1st of June, then at Boghead Cemetery Bathgate at 2pm. After this there will be time to gather at the church for tea and coffee and to share memories of Morag. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone who knew and loved Morag.



## Summer Retreat - In the Footsteps

The annual summer retreat / walk for members of Presbytery is scheduled to take place on Thursday 11th June from 11am to 2pm starting in Heart of Fife, St Columba's building, Rothes Road, Glenrothes. There is ample parking next to the church.

It will be an informal day starting at 11am with a short time of guided reflection, followed by a choice of:

A walk in the town park along the river (approximately 1 – 1.5 hours, easy terrain)

A short walk (10 minutes) to the new labyrinth where you can walk or sit on benches around it.



Remain in the church to chat or do a couple of activities.

Around 12.45pm we meet to share a picnic lunch. Please bring your own food. Before we finish there will be a short act of worship.

It would be really helpful to have an idea of numbers, so if you are planning to come, please send an e-mail to [mkimmitt@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:mkimmitt@churchofscotland.org.uk).

Hope to see you there.

## Fife Eden Tay Parish Monthly Afternoon Teas

Monthly Afternoon Teas will commence in Freuchie Church Hall from 2pm till 4pm on:

- Friday 12th June.
- Friday 14th August.
- Friday 18th September
- Friday 16th October. For Chas

Entry is by donation. Fundraising other than STAR & CHAS Dates is for Fife: Eden Tay Parish.



## Summer Services for Ceres, Kemback and Springfield lw East Fife Rural

It has been agreed by the Kirk Sessions of Ceres, Kemback & Springfield linked with East Fife Rural Parish that we will have joint services on Sunday 19th & 26th July.

The service on the 19th July will be at Springfield Church and on the 26th July at Kilrenny Church, both to be held at 10.30am.

### Monthly Reflective Worship Service

Cupar St John's Church  
First Wednesday  
of every month  
7.30pm

All welcome!

**familiesfirst**

**QUIZ Night**

**familiesfirst**

**Put your knowledge to the test!**

Join us for a great night of trivia  
as we raise money for Families  
First St Andrews!

**Saturday, 30 May 2026**

**18:00**

**Holy Trinity, South St** SC01773

**JOIN US**

Contact Ron Cruickshanks for more details  
07763 210434 : [roncruickshanks@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:roncruickshanks@hotmail.co.uk)  
[www.holyt.co.uk](http://www.holyt.co.uk)  
[www.familiesfirststandrews.org.uk](http://www.familiesfirststandrews.org.uk)

## Airlie Cancer Care Group

*Come together for an informal chat & support*



A local group for all patients and their families who are registered with a GP in the Levenmouth area and who currently or in the past have had a diagnosis of Cancer.

Our group is very informative with representation Health & Social Care Partnership—Improving Cancer Journey. We also invite other speakers to come along to offer advice and opportunities. Why not pop along for a friendly get together, cup of tea/coffee and a light lunch.

Meetings are held monthly on a Thursday 1pm-3pm on the following dates in  
The Church Hall, Methilhill Parish Church, Chemiss Road, Methilhill, KY8 2BS.

**18<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

If you have any questions please contact:  
Mrs Emma Walker, Office Supervisor, Airlie Medical Practice, 01333-426083

or

Mrs Jacqueline Thomson DCS, Mobile phone number 07806776560,  
Email [jthomsondcs@gmail.com](mailto:jthomsondcs@gmail.com)



## WORLD CUP QUIZ



Kirkcaldy Hope Church  
 Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm  
 Teams of 4 members only  
 £5 Adults £1 Kids  
 (includes refreshments)

Proceeds to Hope's Refurbishment  
**AmeriCanMex 2026 Starts here!!**  
 Carron Place, Kirkcaldy, KY2 6PS



**Come and join us at Messy Church at Pathhead  
 Sunday 31 May from 2—3.30 pm**

Messy Church is for all the family: children of all ages, parents and grandparents (children must be accompanied by an adult).

At Messy Church we have crafts, songs, Bible stories - with refreshments and time for a chat at the end.

And it's all free! Find us at Pathhead Church, Harriet Street, KY1 2AG.



## SPRING COFFEE MORNING With Cake 'n Candy & Tombola

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

**10am-12 noon**

**in Hope Church Hall**

**Carron Place KY2 6PS**

**Adults £4 & Children £1**

**includes refreshments**

**Everyone Welcome**

**BOARHILLS, DUNINO & ST ANDREWS:  
 HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

**Short  
 Afternoon  
 Service  
 Friday 5 June  
 3pm**



HOLY TRINITY CARE GROUP  
 +BEFRIENDERS



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**Pathhead Parish Church**

**Harriet Street**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – 2 pm**

**Entry: Adults £1 Children Free**

**Win a boxful of picnic goodies**



Ice Cream

Games

Tombola

Cake and Candy

Bottle Stall Soft Goods

Books and Jigsaws

Refreshments

Toys

Fire Appliance



**And lots more!!!! Come along and join the fun.**

## Opportunity to partner with Grandmentors Fife



**VOLUNTEERING MATTERS**

Fife Communities  
Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund

**COULD YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO A YOUNG PERSON'S LIFE?**

Grandmentors Fife match volunteers with young people facing life challenges. Use your life experience to listen, guide and help them build confidence and reach their goals.

Just an hour a week can change a life

- Be a positive role model
- Help them achieve goals
- Make a real impact in your community
- Full training and support provided
- Volunteer expenses reimbursed

fife@volunteeringmatters.org.uk | Search online for Grandmentors Fife | *Be there. Be the difference.*

Grandmentors is an organisation pairing young people with volunteers who are Grandparent age to act as mentors.

In my last post in Midlothian our church built a partnership with Grandmentors as I connected them to the High School where I was Chaplain and we recruited a few volunteers from the church and parish to do the training. The church hall was also used for the local training sessions which provided not only a link to the work but also a little income as they had funding for hall hire.

Grandmentors are now in Fife and have asked me to spread the word. I have spoken with their team and they would be willing to come and give a talk/presentation to a Kirk Session or perhaps Guild or other group in your church – it's always better to connect with people in person rather than just with a flyer!

To decide if this is something for you to get involved with in your church perhaps ask your congregation this question:

### Could you make a difference to a young person in Fife?

Grandmentors Fife are looking for volunteer mentors to support young people facing challenges as they move into adulthood. Just an hour or two a week can help a young person build confidence, work towards goals, and feel more connected and supported.

You do not need formal qualifications, your life experience, encouragement and willingness to listen, can make a real difference. Full training and ongoing support are provided.

To find out more, contact:

[fife@volunteeringmatters.org.uk](mailto:fife@volunteeringmatters.org.uk)

**Rev Gayle A Taylor**

## May 2026 Education Update

Fife Council Education Service's substantial investment in providing iPads to all high school and upper primary students is improving learning across Fife schools. Evidence suggests that the close collaboration between staff, parents and students has built capacity to make the rollout of iPads a success, delivered on time and on budget.

The 'Withdrawal from Religious Education Bill' was passed at Holyrood in February 2026. Changes to previous legislation are; when a parent opts to withdraw their child from Religious Observance, the child can opt back in, AND no one is now able to withdraw from Religious and Moral Education (RME). Guidance on the changes will be issued by the Scottish Government in the next 12 months.

More information on these issues, Fife Council Education Scrutiny and Cabinet meetings, and the work of Church of Scotland Education and Schools Group is available from the Presbytery Office.

Ian Macaulay, Local Authority Education Representative



# HOLY TRINITY EVENTS

<b>JUNE 5</b>	<b>SHORT AFTERNOON SERVICE</b> 3PM
<b>JUNE 10</b>	<b>CHURCH SUMMER OPENING</b> WED-FRI: 1PM-5PM SAT: 11AM-5PM
<b>JUNE 20</b>	<b>SCOTTISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CHORUS CONCERT</b> 7:30PM
<b>JUNE 28</b>	<b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SAN DIEGO CHOIR CONCERT</b> 7PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT  
[WWW.HOLYT.CO.UK](http://WWW.HOLYT.CO.UK)

## Interim Moderator Training Dates

**To all Presbytery Clerks: Hello everyone**

I am planning the next online Interim Moderator training for the first part of June. Last time there was a choice of an afternoon or evening session, which seemed to work well so I will do that again. Here are the dates (and people only have to attend one session as they both cover the same topics):

**Tuesday 2 June 2026 from 2pm-4.30pm.**

**Wednesday 10 June 2026 from 7pm-9.30pm.**

Please contact the Presbytery Clerk if you would like to take part in this training.

As you know, this training is required for Elders and Deacons to be Interim Moderators (section 5.3.2.2 of the Church Courts Act). The training is also open to Ministers who'd like training or simply a refresher.

Interim Moderators have to be members of Presbytery, so if not already members you would need to be able to admit them to membership at least for the duration of their appointment as IMs.

Hoping you are all well and that I'll see many of you at the GA,

Victoria



Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



## Celebrity Organ Recital

Saturday 6 June 4.30pm

Lionel Steuart  
Fothringham

plays Bach,  
Tournemire and  
Mulet



**Light refreshments:** before the concert  
from 4pm in the church

**Admission:** no charge but donations welcome  
to cover costs and to support local musicians

**Church address:** 1 Blyth Street,  
Newport-on-Tay, FIFE DD6 8DB

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland Scottish Charity Number - SC006758

## Taizé style worship at St Serf's Church, Burntisland - 40 minutes of calm on a Sunday evening in summer 2026:

**7 pm on the  
first Sunday  
of the month**

**7 June  
5 July  
2 August**



*Candles lit during Taizé worship at St Serf's*

What is Taizé worship? It is a reflective style of worship, which we enter and leave in silence. Taizé music emphasizes simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of scripture, repeated and sometimes sung in canon. But Taizé worship is more than music. Scripture, prayer, and silence come together in the Taizé experience to create a simple, deep encounter with God. As part of the service, you may light a candle.

*For more information about Taizé worship, you can visit the international website for the Taizé community: <https://www.taize.fr/en>.*



**All welcome – Just come!**

## LANGTOUN CENTRAL CHURCH BENNOCHY BUILDING

**CRAFT GROUP  
STRAWBERRY TEA**

**Saturday 27th June  
10.00 am - 12 noon**

**ADULTS £4:00  
CHILDREN £2:00**

**Craft Items for Sale  
Raffle**

Charity No. SC031064

## Help Needed - Land Suitable for Horses

A local in Fife, Iona McGhie, has reached out to us and is in need of help! Due to the council's bidding system, she is no longer allowed to have the field which houses her 5 lovely horses. She has been asking around for any land to rent in Fife, specifically anywhere between Kingslassie/Cardenden to Leven. She has one month to find new land to rent.

If you or anyone you know has suitable land for these horses and you are willing to rent it out, please contact Iona McGhie at [ionamcghie@gmail.com](mailto:ionamcghie@gmail.com)



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## Solas, the festival with a [holy] twist

Scotland is now deep into festival season, as towns and villages around the country stage their summer extravaganzas, basking in the sun or huddling under gazebos.

At first sight, the Solas Festival seems like a music and arts festival like so many others. Maybe a bit more intimate, but with many of the same features.

There's always high-quality music on several stages – previous names like Tidelines, Ricky Ross, Karine Polwarth and Hamish Hawk; this year, Rura, Adam Holmes and Yonne Lyon – and for the first time, classical quartets. Then there are lots of other art forms with theatre, dance, children's music and games. This year the literature strand will be particularly strong, with poetry for all tastes. Like any respectable festival these days, there are talks and debates - last year on assisted dying and taking a fast from social media, this year on the impact of AI on creatives and with new MSPs on the reality of their new life as elected representatives - and a campaigning spirit on issues from climate to refugees. Throw in some yoga, some participative art and some excellent food and drink and late-night revelry and you have all the classic ingredients for festival goers to have a blast over the weekend. And they do.

But look a bit closer at the programme and there may be a wee surprise or two. On the Saturday we will be exploring the phenomenon of Christian nationalism and how to respond, and “befriending our inner heretic” as we identify those spiritual practices we want to either jettison or hold fast to. In the beautiful walled gardens on the Sunday there will be another of our creative worship gatherings, followed by a discussion with the local Madoch centre about how a church can help transform a community. Not quite your standard fare..

Solas seeks to cater for the whole person, body, mind and soul. Drawing on our original Christian roots, that means that some of the programming is specifically Christian, such as some meditation, the worship service etc. In other areas there is a Christian contribution to a wider bit of programming. One of our hopes is that over time the inspirations unleashed during Solas can be captured and shared around churches and beyond.

At Solas we assume nothing about where people are coming from, we don't proselytise and we are open to contributions from other faiths but within those broad parameters we unashamedly want spirituality to be seen as a key component of the whole human experience not a separate compartment for a rather odd few. This is not something Solas factors in reluctantly, but something we embrace with enthusiasm

It is probably fair to say that this aspect of the festival has grown slightly in recent years, not least thanks to the generosity of the Anchor Foundation. But we have no truck with those who would want the whole thing to be “more religious”- Solas is a unique offering not purporting to be either a slimmed down TRNSMT or a Perthshire Spring Harvest. We like it like that, and we think our festival goers do too!

In any event the dichotomy is a false one. We are made creative by God; creativity comes from God. So, we will have done our job if everyone who goes to the festival, whether they know it or not, goes back to their stressful daily lives having rested and been thankful and having been touched by an experience of God's creativity in its multiple forms.

Solas Festival, 19- 21 June, Errol Park: [www.solasfestival.co.uk](http://www.solasfestival.co.uk)

# One Body, Many Parts: Churches invited to celebrate Disability Awareness Sunday 2026

Churches across the UK are being invited to take part in **Disability Awareness Sunday 2026**, with the release of a free, creative new resource [available to download](http://www.throughtheroof.org) from Christian charity Through the Roof ([www.throughtheroof.org](http://www.throughtheroof.org)).

The 2026 theme, **'One Body, Many Parts'**, draws on 1 Corinthians 12 and celebrates the truth that **the Church is not complete without disabled people**. The official date is **27 September 2026**, though churches are encouraged to take part on any Sunday that works for them.

## Seeing things differently

At the heart of the new resource is the vision of **Triona Brading**, a young autistic Christian, Roofbreaker disability champion with Through the Roof, and ministry trainee. Triona brings insight, joy and imagination to the biblical image of the Body of Christ. She shares her perspective as an **autistic Christian** in the main video she made for churches to show for Disability Awareness Sunday:

“The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you. The head cannot say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you.’ Can you imagine it?

Body parts going rogue and breaking free of the body, hopping away and trying to live independently of one another!”

Her gentle humour opens up a powerful challenge: what does it really mean for the Church to live as **one body**, where every person — disabled or not — is welcomed, needed and able to play their part?

## FREE resource for churches!

The resources are designed to help churches move beyond awareness towards **Access, Belonging and Commission: the ABC of Disability Inclusion**, and to spark conversations that can lead to lasting change.

**Churches can request the free resource now at:**

[throughtheroof.org/forchurches/disability-awareness-sunday](http://throughtheroof.org/forchurches/disability-awareness-sunday)

Show the video. Pray together. Celebrate every member of Christ’s Body.

As churches across the UK – and beyond – join in, Through the Roof hopes **Disability Awareness Sunday 2026** will inspire many to say with confidence: we are one body, with many parts – and **everyone matters**.

For more information please contact:

Janet Eardley [janet@throughtheroof.org](mailto:janet@throughtheroof.org) Annette Stuart [annette@throughtheroof.org](mailto:annette@throughtheroof.org)  
Tel (main office): 01372 749955

Please visit [www.throughtheroof.org](http://www.throughtheroof.org) for information, news and resources.



2026 Disability  
Awareness Sunday



## One Body, Many Parts

1 Corinthians  
12:12-27



### Pack contains:

- Links to videos
- Song Ideas
- Prayers
- Activity Ideas
- Bible Reading
- Notes for speakers

\*All the contents are suggestions only. Please tailor the service as you feel best for your own church.

## Help us Shape the Future: Trustee Opportunities at Prospects Across Scotland (PAS)

Do you have a heart for Christian service and a passion for including people with learning disabilities and autism in all aspects of church life? PAS is a small Christian Charity dedicated to producing training materials and resources to help churches throughout Scotland do just that. We also encourage and nurture new and established friendship groups within churches around the country, and love bringing these groups together in larger gatherings. We are looking for two new Trustees who would bring their skills, passion and knowledge to bear in supporting this ministry area.

We would particularly like to attract trustees with experience in finance, including online accounting using Xero, payroll and reporting to OSCR, and with experience in grant funding applications. We are hoping to find two people with these skills and with prayerful imagination and motivation to help carry plans through.

Trustees meet around 6-8 times a year on Zoom, so geographical location is not an issue. Being a PAS trustee has a requirement for enhanced PVG, which PAS can help with.

If you are interested in being part of this team to help guide the future of the charity and would like to know more, please contact Linda Sharp [lindasharp01@aol.com](mailto:lindasharp01@aol.com).

We would also appreciate your sharing these opportunities with your church and other contacts.

## New MDS posts being advertised in Fife Presbytery

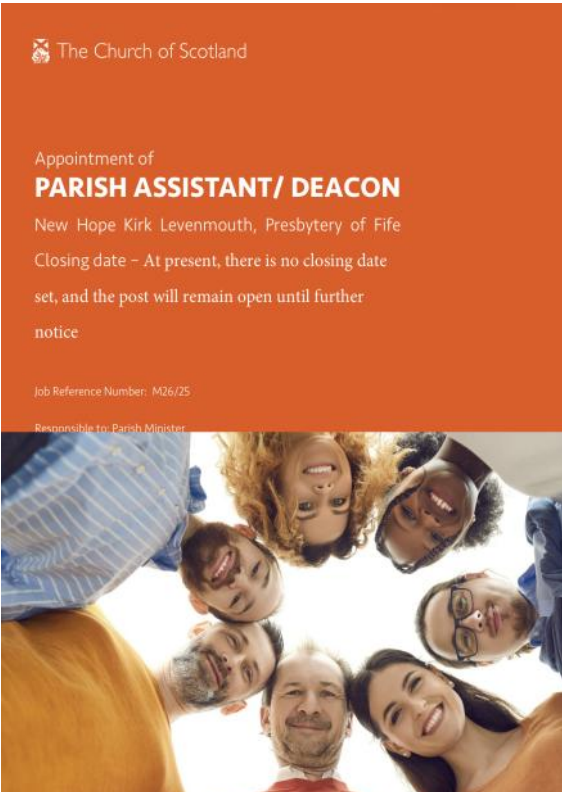
There are currently three MDS posts being advertised within the Fife Presbytery, and we would encourage anybody who feels they are right for the role to apply for them.

The first vacancy is for a Parish Assistant / Deacon at New Hope Kirk Levenmouth. This post will remain open until further notice.

**This is the job advert here** [https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/153906/4980-HR-MDS-Parish-Assistant-Deacon-RECRUITMENT-PACK-2026-March-2026.pdf](https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/153906/4980-HR-MDS-Parish-Assistant-Deacon-RECRUITMENT-PACK-2026-March-2026.pdf)

**For other MDS posts outside of Fife, visit** <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about-us/vacancies-and-volunteering/ministries-council-posts>

**And for locally funded posts, visit** <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/get-involved/vacancies-and-volunteering/locally-funded-posts>



The Church of Scotland


Appointment of  
**PARISH ASSISTANT/ DEACON**

New Hope Kirk Levenmouth, Presbytery of Fife

Closing date - At present, there is no closing date set, and the post will remain open until further notice

Job Reference Number: M26/25

Responsible to: Parish Minister



**Please send any articles and photos or flyers to be included in the Presbytery Weekly News or on the Facebook Page to Evelyn at:**

[fife@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:fife@churchofscotland.org.uk)

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## Dates for your diary

### **Saturday 30th May 2026 : 10am-12pm**

Kirkcaldy Hope Church  
Spring Coffee Morning

### **Saturday 30th May 2026 : 6pm**

Holy Trinity, St Andrews  
Quiz Night

### **Sunday 31st May 2026 : 2pm-3.30pm**

Pathhead Parish Church, Kirkcaldy  
Messy Church

### **Monday 1st June 2026 : 12.30pm**

Bathgate Parish Church  
Celebration of Life - Morag Crawford

### **Friday 5th June 2026 : 3pm**

Holy Trinity Church, St Andrew's  
Short Afternoon Service

### **Saturday 6th June 2026 : 2pm**

Pathhead Parish Church, Kirkcaldy  
Summer Fair

### **Saturday 6th June 2026 : 4.30pm**

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland  
Lionel Steuart Forthington plays  
Bach, Tournemire and Mulet

### **Saturday 6th June 2026 : 7pm**

Kirkcaldy Hope Church  
World Cup Quiz

### **Sunday 7th June 2026 : 2pm**

St Serf's Church, Burntisland  
Taizé Style Worship

### **Sunday 7th June 2026 : 2.45pm**

Langtoun Church, Kirkcaldy  
Service of Introduction - Pamela Scott DCS

### **Thursday 11th June 2026 : 11am-2pm**

Heart of Fife - St Columba's Building, Glenrothes  
Summer Retreat - In the Footsteps

### **Friday 12th June 2026 : 2pm-4pm**

Eden Tay - Freuchie Church Hall  
Monthly Afternoon Teas

### **Saturday 20th June 2026 : 10am**

St Margaret's, Glenrothes  
Fife Presbytery Meeting

### **Saturday 27th June 2026 : 10am-12pm**

Langtoun Central Church Bennochty Building, Kirkcaldy  
Craft Group Strawberry Tea



TRINITY SUNDAY

“Therefore go and make  
disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name  
of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit “  
- Matthew 28, Verse 19

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